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1                   [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION  
2                   ON NOVEMBER 9, 2004, BEGINS ON PAGE 93.]

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6   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING. I WILL CALL THE MEETING TO  
7   ORDER AND ASK EVERYONE TO PLEASE RISE. WE'LL BE LED IN THE  
8   INVOCATION BY RABBI HAIM BELIAK, FROM LOS ANGELES, AND THE  
9   PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE LED BY CHARLES HAYS, JOE LOUIS POST  
10   NUMBER 633, THE AMERICAN LEGION. RABBI?

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12   **RABBI HAIM BELIAK:** <SPEAKS IN HEBREW>, OUR HEAVENLY PARENT,  
13   THE STORY TELLER HAS OFTEN WARMED OUR HEART WITH OFFERING US  
14   THE RIGHT KINDS OF QUESTIONS TO ASK. HOW IS AN EGG LIKE A  
15   CLOUD? HOW IS A MATCH LIKE A GRAIN OF WHEAT. HOW IS A PINE  
16   CONE LIKE A WORD? THE CHILDREN, YOU AND I TRY TO GUESS. THERE  
17   IS ONLY ONE ANSWER. AN EGG MAKES A BIRD, A CLOUD MAKES RAIN,  
18   MATCHES MAKE FIRE, WHEAT MAKES BREAD, BUT A PINE CONE AND A  
19   WORD, ONE CHILD SMILES AND CALLS OUT, "WHEN GOD BEGAN MAKING  
20   THE WORLD, GOD BEGAN WITH A WORD." ANOTHER CRIES OUT,  
21   "BEGINNINGS, THEY ARE ALL BEGINNINGS." AND SO WE LISTEN TO THE  
22   VOICE OF THE STORY TELLER, ONCE THERE WERE PEOPLE WHO DIDN'T  
23   KNOW HOW TO MAKE BEGINNINGS OR EVEN HOW TO RECOGNIZE THEM, BUT  
24   BEGINNINGS ARE EVERYWHERE: ON THE GROUND IN SEEDS, IN THE SKY  
25   WITH CLOUDS, IN YOUR MIND WITH IDEAS, IN YOUR HAND WITH TOOLS





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1 TO WORK WITH, IN YOUR HEART, IN YOUR FEELINGS, AND IN THE WORD  
2 OF GOD. AMEN.

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4 **CHARLES D. HAYS:** FACE THE FLAGS, PLEASE, PUT YOUR HAND OVER  
5 YOUR HEART, AND JOIN ME IN REPEATING THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
6 TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES. [ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE ]

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, WE'VE BEEN LED IN THE  
11 INVOCATION THIS MORNING BY HAIM DOVE BELIAK, WHO IS A GRADUATE  
12 STUDENT IN EDUCATION AT THE CLAREMONT GRADUATE UNIVERSITY,  
13 WHERE HE'S COMPLETING HIS PH.D. IN HIGHER EDUCATION  
14 ADMINISTRATION. HE IS A GRADUATE OF THE HEBRIAN COLLEGE AND IS  
15 AN ORDAINED RABBI AND HAS AN A.B. DEGREE FROM OCCIDENTAL  
16 COLLEGE IN PHILOSOPHY AND GEOLOGY. THAT'S QUITE A COMBINATION.  
17 RABBI BELIAK IS THE RABBI OF BETH SHALOM OF WHITTIER, AND A  
18 DACH HABAREIM OF LAS ALAMEDAS. IN ADDITION HE WORKS AT THE  
19 METROPOLITAN DETENTION CENTER IN THE TERMINAL ISLAND FEDERAL  
20 PRISONS. HE IS A FOUNDING MEMBER OF RABBIS FOR HUMAN RIGHTS IN  
21 ISRAEL AND IS A LONG-TIME PARTICIPANT IN MUSLIM, CHRISTIAN AND  
22 JEWISH DIALOGUE. SINCE 9/11, RABBI BELIAK HAS SERVED AS THE  
23 EDUCATIONAL CHAIR OF THE INTERFAITH COMMUNITIES, UNITED FOR  
24 JUSTICE AND PEACE, ON THAT STEERING COMMITTEE, AND HE IS  
25 MARRIED AND HE HAS THREE CHILDREN. HE WAS BORN IN MUNICH,



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1 GERMANY, GREW IN MASON CITY, IOWA, AND PHOENIX, ARIZONA. HE  
2 CURRENTLY RESIDES IN LOS ANGELES WITH HIS SPOUSE AND HIS THREE  
3 CHILDREN. AND WE APPRECIATE THAT VERY ELOQUENT INVOCATION THIS  
4 MORNING. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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8 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, WE ARE VERY PLEASED TO HAVE THIS MORNING  
9 CHARLES HAYS, AND HE IS FROM THE JOE LOUIS POST NUMBER 633,  
10 HE'S ADJUTANT AND HE'S FROM THE AMERICAN LEGION. HE WAS IN THE  
11 MILITARY FROM '53 TO '57 AS A STAFF SERGEANT WITH THE U.S. AIR  
12 FORCE, 310 BOMBER WING. HE SERVED IN EUROPE, HE RECEIVED THE  
13 UNITED NATIONS SERVICE MEDAL, HE RECEIVED THE AIR FORCE GOOD  
14 CONDUCT MEDAL, NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL, AIR FORCE  
15 OVERSEAS RIBBON, AND HE IS RETIRED FROM -- AS TOOLING LIAISON  
16 FOR MCDONALD DOUGLAS. HE IS A WIDOW WITH FOUR CHILDREN. HE'S  
17 LIVED IN THE DISTRICT FOR 35 YEARS AND HE ATTENDED COLLEGE AT  
18 L.A. TRADE TECH. HE WAS FROM OMAHA, NEBRASKA. THANK YOU FOR  
19 BEING HERE. [ APPLAUSE ]

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE'LL PROCEED WITH THE AGENDA.

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23 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE  
24 BOARD. WE'LL BEGIN ON PAGE 3. ON ITEM CS-1, WE HAVE A REQUEST



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1 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK, AND ALSO ON CS-4,  
2 REQUEST TO SPEAK ON THE ITEM.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY.

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6 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ON PAGE 6, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE  
7 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEM 1-D.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** CHAIR WILL MOVE IT, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR  
10 BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

11

12 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE HOUSING  
13 AUTHORITY, ITEM 1-H.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY  
16 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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18 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE REGIONAL  
19 PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, ITEM 1-P.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** CHAIR WILL MOVE IT, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR  
22 MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

23



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1 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 6.  
2 ON ITEM NUMBER 6, HOLD FOR COUNTY COUNSEL. THE REST ARE BEFORE  
3 YOU.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
6 ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
7 SO ORDERED.

8

9 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, ITEMS 7 AND 8. ON  
10 ITEM NUMBER 7, HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR MOLINA, AND ON ITEM NUMBER  
11 8, FOR THE RECORD, SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTES "NO."

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY.

14

15 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SO ITEM NUMBER 8, WITH SUPERVISOR MOLINA  
16 VOTING "NO," IS BEFORE YOU.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, CHAIR WILL MOVE IT, SECONDED BY  
19 SUPERVISOR BURKE, WITH SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTING "NO." SO  
20 ORDERED.

21

22 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEMS 9  
23 THROUGH 11.

24





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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY  
2    SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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4    **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** FIRE DEPARTMENT, ITEMS 12 THROUGH 14. ON  
5    ITEM NUMBER 12, HOLD FOR A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.

6

7    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
8    YAROSLAVSKY, THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO  
9    ORDERED.

10

11   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** HEALTH SERVICES, ITEMS 15 THROUGH 20.  
12   EXCUSE ME. ON, ITEM NUMBER 18, WE HAVE REQUESTS FROM MEMBERS  
13   OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK.

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15   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ON WHICH ITEM?

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17   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THAT'S NUMBER 18, THOSE WERE JUST GIVEN  
18   TO ME.

19

20   **SPEAKER:** THE NURSES.

21

22   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
23   BURKE, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO  
24   ORDERED.

25



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1 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** INTERNAL SERVICES. ON ITEM 21, WE HAVE A  
2 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK. PUBLIC WORKS,  
3 ITEMS 22 THROUGH 37. ON ITEM NUMBER 22, THE DIRECTOR REQUESTS  
4 A TWO-WEEK CONTINUANCE. ON ITEM --

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SO ORDERED.

7

8 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ON ITEM 29, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS A  
9 ONE-WEEK CONTINUANCE. ON ITEM NUMBER 33, FOR THE RECORD,  
10 SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTES "NO."

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. I WILL REMOVE MY CONTINUANCE ON 29.  
13 ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY  
14 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

15

16 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SHERIFF, ITEMS 38 THROUGH 41. ON ITEM  
17 NUMBER 40 AS NOTED --

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** EXCUSE ME. GOING BACK, ON THE REMAINDER,  
20 WITH THE ITEM NUMBER 33 --

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22 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** 33.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WITH SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTING "NO."

25



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1    **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** RIGHT. FOR THE RECORD. OKAY. OKAY.

2

3    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY.

4

5    **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SHERIFF, 38 THROUGH 41. AS NOTED ON THE  
6    GREEN SHEET, ON ITEM 40, THE SHERIFF REQUESTS THAT THE ITEM BE  
7    CONTINUED TO JANUARY 11, 2005.

8

9    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOLD THAT.

10

11    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** PARDON ME?

12

13    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT NUMBER IS THAT?

14

15    **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THAT IS NUMBER 40.

16

17    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOLD IT.

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19    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH WILL QUESTION A HOLD,  
20    AND THEN WE HAVE THE CONTINUANCE FROM THE SHERIFF, SO WE'LL  
21    HOLD IT FOR DISCUSSION.

22

23    **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ALL RIGHT. THE REST ARE BEFORE YOU.

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ON THE REMAINDER, WITH ITEM 40 BEING HELD,  
2    MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE.  
3    WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

4

5    **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR, ITEM 42.

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7    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA, SECONDED BY  
8    SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

9

10   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATION, ITEMS 43  
11   THROUGH 47.

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13   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY  
14   SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

15

16   **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION, I'LL READ THE  
17   SHORT TITLE INTO THE RECORD, AN ORDINANCE TO EXTEND THROUGH  
18   DECEMBER 31, 2006, THE TERM OF THE PROPRIETARY PETROLEUM  
19   PIPELINE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY  
20   ORDINANCE NUMBER 11854 AS AMENDED. FOR THE RECORD, ON THIS  
21   ITEM, SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTES "NO."

22

23   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED  
24   BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, WITH SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTING "NO," SO  
25   ORDERED.



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2 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SEPARATE MATTER. ON ITEM NUMBER 49,  
3 PUBLIC WORKS HAS SUBMITTED A MEMORANDUM AND RECOMMENDS THAT  
4 THE BOARD CONTINUE THE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EMERGENCY  
5 CONTRACT, AND THAT THE BOARD REVIEW THIS MATTER AGAIN IN 14  
6 DAYS.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO IS THAT -- WE'RE JUST CONTINUING IT FOR  
9 TWO WEEKS OR?

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11 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** YES.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. DOES IT TAKE AN ACTION, OR JUST SO  
14 ORDERED ON THE CONTINUANCE?

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16 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** JUST SO ORDERED.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY, CONTINUED TWO WEEKS, SO ORDERED.

19

20 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** MISCELLANEOUS, ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA  
21 REQUESTED BY BOARD MEMBERS AND THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE  
22 OFFICER, WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF  
23 THE MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE GREEN SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.  
24 ITEM 50-A.

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, THE CHAIR  
2    WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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4    **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AND 50-B.

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6    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY  
7    SUPERVISOR BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

8

9    **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA.  
10    BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL  
11    DISTRICT NUMBER 2.

12

13    **SUP. BURKE:** WE HAVE NO PRESENTATIONS.

14

15    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY? I DON'T  
16    -- OKAY. WE'RE ONCE AGAIN VERY FORTUNATE TO BE WELCOMING A NEW  
17    CONSUL-GENERAL HERE TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY, THE HONORABLE  
18    RONALD DE LANGHE IS THE NEW CONSUL-GENERAL OF BELGIUM. PRIOR  
19    TO BECOMING CONSUL-GENERAL TO LOS ANGELES HE SERVED AS  
20    BELGIUM'S AMBASSADOR TO ARGENTINA. HE WAS ACCREDITED BY THE  
21    UNITED STATES STATE DEPARTMENT ON SEPTEMBER 13TH OF THIS YEAR  
22    AS CONSUL-GENERAL OF BELGIUM HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY.  
23    CONSUL-GENERAL DE LANGHE WAS EDUCATED AT THE UNIVERSITY OF  
24    BRUSSELS WHERE HE RECEIVED HIS MASTER'S DEGREE IN ECONOMICS  
25    AND POLITICAL DIPLOMATIC SERVICES. THE CONSUL-GENERAL HAS BEEN



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1 POSTED IN OVERSEAS ASSIGNMENTS IN FRANCE, MEXICO, NORWAY,  
2 ZAIRE, AND SAUDI ARABIA. HE ALSO SERVED AS CONSUL-GENERAL IN  
3 CHICAGO FROM 1987 TO 1991, AND AMBASSADOR TO VENEZUELA FROM  
4 1994 TO 1998. LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AS WE ALL KNOW, IS HOME TO  
5 PEOPLE OF MANY DIFFERENT CULTURES, INCLUDING MANY OF BELGIAN  
6 DESCENT, SO WE APPRECIATE THE IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTIONS THAT THE  
7 BELGIAN AMERICAN COMMUNITY HAS MADE TO ENRICH THE LIVES OF THE  
8 PEOPLE HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AND WE HOLD IN HIGH ESTEEM  
9 THEIR FRIENDSHIP. AND WE WELCOME YOU TO YOUR SECOND POSTING  
10 HERE IN THE UNITED STATES, AND WE'D LIKE TO PRESENT THIS  
11 PLAQUE, AND A SMALL PLAQUE IN RECOGNITION OF A WARM WELCOME  
12 HERE TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY. [ APPLAUSE ]

13

14 **CONSUL-GENERAL:** MR. CHAIRMAN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IT IS A  
15 GREAT HONOR FOR ME TO BE ABLE TO ATTEND THIS MEETING OF THE  
16 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND TO BE  
17 WELCOMED BY DISTINGUISHED MEMBER. MANY THANKS, MR. CHAIRMAN,  
18 FOR YOUR KIND WORDS AND MANY THANKS ALSO FOR THIS NICE PLAQUE  
19 COMMEMORATING MY APPOINTMENT AS CONSUL-GENERAL OF THE KINGDOM  
20 OF BELGIUM TO YOUR COUNTY. IT'S AN IMPRESSIVE COUNTY, AN  
21 IMPRESSIVE POSTING FOR ME BECAUSE I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS  
22 COUNTY IS THE COUNTY WITH THE LARGEST POPULATION IN THE UNITED  
23 STATES, AND COMPARE THAT TO BELGIUM, MY LITTLE COUNTRY, YOUR  
24 POPULATION IS EQUAL AND MAY BE LARGER THAN THE POPULATION OF  
25 BELGIUM. BECAUSE I THINK THAT YOUR POPULATION IS GROWING



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1 FASTER THAN OURS. IT IS GOING TO BE A GREAT PLEASURE FOR ME TO  
2 BE LIVING AND TO BE WORKING IN THIS COUNTY IN THE COMING THREE  
3 OR FOUR YEARS. IT'S, I'M SURE, I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO IT. IT'S  
4 GOING TO BE A DRIVING EXPERIENCE NOT ONLY BECAUSE I SHALL BE  
5 ABLE TO BENEFIT FROM THE MANY SERVICES THAT THE COUNTY IS  
6 RENDERING TO ITS CITIZEN JUST LIKE IF I WERE ONE OF THEM, AND  
7 ALSO BECAUSE I AM CONVINCED THAT I SHALL FIND MANY  
8 OPPORTUNITIES TO FOSTER THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN OUR TWO  
9 PEOPLE, THE PEOPLE OF THE -- THE ANGELINOS, AS ONE SAY, I  
10 THINK, AND THE BELGIANS. I HOPE, MR. CHAIRMAN, THAT I SHALL BE  
11 ABLE TO BRING YOU MANY VISITORS, GOVERNMENT LEVEL OR LOCAL  
12 LEVEL FROM MY COUNTRY. I HOPE I SHALL BE ABLE TO CREATE NEW  
13 CONTACTS BETWEEN OUR RESPECTIVE INSTITUTIONS, WHICH DEDICATE  
14 THEMSELVES TO DEVELOPING EDUCATION, CULTURE, AND OTHER  
15 ACTIVITIES. I WOULD LIKE ALSO TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY, MR.  
16 CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISOR, TO WISH YOU A  
17 WELL-DESERVED SUCCESS IN ALL YOUR UNDERTAKINGS AND TO WISH TO  
18 THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES ALL THE HAPPINESS POSSIBLE. THANK  
19 YOU VERY MUCH. [ APPLAUSE ] [ INDISTINCT VOICES ]

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. NOW WE HAVE SOME VERY SPECIAL  
22 AWARDS TO PRESENT. I'M PLEASED TODAY TO BE ABLE AS CHAIRMAN,  
23 TO JOIN THE QUALITY AND PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION IN HONORING  
24 THIS YEAR'S COUNTY-WIDE AWARD WINNING PROGRAMS. THESE AWARDS  
25 WERE ALSO RECENTLY PRESENTED AT THE COMMISSION'S 18TH ANNUAL



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1 AWARDS LUNCHEON HELD AT THE DOROTHY CHANDLER PAVILION HERE AT  
2 THE MUSIC CENTER. SO MY NOTES SAY SOMETHING ABOUT A VIDEO AND  
3 THE SUPERVISORS' DANCE, IS THAT -- YEAH, OKAY, ALL RIGHT. [  
4 INDISTINCT VOICES ]

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH IT'S A LONG WAY TO GO.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WE WISH TO THANK THE QUALITY AND  
9 PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION FOR THE OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP AND  
10 EXPERTISE IT HAS PROVIDED TO ALL OF OUR DEPARTMENTS AND THEIR  
11 COOPERATION AS WELL. I WANT TO PARTICULARLY ACKNOWLEDGE THE  
12 COMMISSION CHAIR, JACKLYN TILLY HILL, FOR HER VISION,  
13 LEADERSHIP, AND DEDICATION TO ENRICHING LIVES FOR THE ENTIRE  
14 COUNTY FAMILY, AND I'M GOING TO ASK CHAIRPERSON HILL TO COME  
15 FORWARD AND SAY A FEW WORDS.

16

17 **CHAIRPERSON HILL:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE. THE QUALITY AND  
18 PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION WANTS TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE INCREDIBLE,  
19 UNBELIEVABLE CONTINUING SUPPORT OF THE ENTIRE BOARD OF  
20 SUPERVISORS, THE C.A.O.'S OFFICE THAT ENABLES US TO CONTINUE  
21 WITH OUR PROGRAMS. THE PURPOSE OF THE QUALITY AND PRODUCTIVITY  
22 COMMISSION IS TO -- OUR MISSION IS TO IDENTIFY AND SUPPORT THE  
23 INCREDIBLE WORK THAT GOES ON BY THE DEPARTMENTS. WE HAVE OVER  
24 90,000 EMPLOYEES THAT EACH AND EVERY DAY ARE OUT THERE  
25 ENRICHING LIVES FOR THE RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. IT'S



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1 A PRIVILEGE AND A PLEASURE FOR THE COMMISSION TO BE ABLE TO  
2 SHOWCASE THE TOP 10 PROJECTS OF THE ENTIRE COUNTY AS WELL AS  
3 THE SPECIAL PROJECTS HERE TODAY. THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH,  
4 SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I'M GOING TO ASK COMMISSIONER  
7 HILL TO STAY HERE. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** AND JOIN ME AS WE PRESENT OUR AWARDS, AND I  
10 UNDERSTAND, IT'S GOING TO ROLL WHILE WE PRESENT. IS THAT  
11 CORRECT OR? OKAY. YOU'RE GOING TO PLAY THE VIDEO? HIT IT. [  
12 MUSIC ]

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14 **ANNOUNCER:** WELCOME TO THE 18TH ANNUAL PRODUCTIVITY AND  
15 QUALITY AWARDS PROGRAM. THE THEME, 'COUNTY AMBASSADORS,  
16 PERFORMANCE HEROES, REFLECTS THE OUTSTANDING EMPLOYEES WHO  
17 PLAY A KEY ROLL IN EXECUTING OUR STRATEGIC PLAN AND SHARING  
18 ITS VISION WITH CO-WORKERS AND THE PUBLIC ACROSS THE COUNTY.  
19 AS A GOVERNMENT, WE SERVE ALMOST 10 MILLION RESIDENTS IN AN  
20 AREA OF OVER 4,000 SQUARE MILES, FROM OCEAN COASTLINE TO  
21 NATIONAL FORESTS. AS AN ORGANIZATION, WE EMBRACE OUR MISSION  
22 OF ENRICHING LIVES THROUGH EFFECTIVE AND CARING SERVICE AND  
23 ENDORSE OUR COUNTY-WIDE STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS OF SERVICE  
24 EXCELLENCE, WORK FORCE EXCELLENCE, ORGANIZATIONAL  
25 EFFECTIVENESS, FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY, CHILDREN AND FAMILIES'





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1 WELL BEING, COMMUNITY SERVICES, HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH, AND  
2 PUBLIC SAFETY. WE SALUTE THE PUBLIC OFFICIALS, MANAGERS, AND  
3 EMPLOYEES OF THE COUNTY AND WELCOME THEIR VALUABLE  
4 CONTRIBUTIONS AND COMMITMENT TO OUR GREAT AND DIVERSE  
5 COMMUNITIES.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. FIRST, JACKLYN IF YOU'D JOIN ME UP  
8 HERE. FIRST WE HAVE THE BEST APPLICATION OF TECHNOLOGY AWARD,  
9 AND IT'S PRESENTED TO OUR CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES DEPARTMENT  
10 FOR THE RETURN MAIL AND DATA VERIFICATION BAR CODING. ALL  
11 RIGHT, CONGRATULATIONS. [ INDISTINCT VOICES ]

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** NEXT, FOR THE BEST INNOVATIVE USE OF  
14 TECHNOLOGY AWARD IS PRESENTED TO THE INTERNAL SERVICES  
15 DEPARTMENT WITH THE LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT FOR THEIR CIVIL  
16 E-COURT, CIVIL E-FILING AND RETRIEVAL. IT'S OKAY TO APPLAUD  
17 FOR THEM IF YOU'D LIKE. [ APPLAUSE ] [ INDISTINCT VOICES ]

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** CONGRATULATIONS, CONGRATULATIONS. NEXT, FOR  
20 THE BEST INTERAGENCY COOPERATION AWARD, IT'S PRESENTED TO THE  
21 AUDITOR CONTROLLER WITH THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE AND  
22 INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT FOR THEIR COUNTY- WIDE CONTRACTS  
23 MONITORING SYSTEM. [ APPLAUSE ]

24



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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** IT'S INTENT THAT YOU'RE, "ROW, ROW, ROW  
2    YOUR BOAT." [ LAUGHTER ] [ INDISTINCT VOICES ]

3

4    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, CONGRATULATIONS, EVERYBODY. THE  
5    NEXT, THE BEST QUALITY IMPROVEMENT AWARD, IS PRESENTED TO THE  
6    DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES FOR THEIR ELECTRONIC  
7    BENEFIT TRANSFER. [ APPLAUSE ] [ INDISTINCT VOICES ]

8

9    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU, CONGRATULATIONS  
10    EVERYBODY, CONGRATULATIONS. THE NEXT IS THE COMMISSIONER'S  
11    MEMORIAL AWARD, AND IT'S PRESENTED TO THE HUMAN RELATIONS  
12    COMMISSION WITH THE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICE FOR AN INCREDIBLE  
13    PROGRAM CALLED "ZERO HOUR: THE TIME TO ACT IS NOW." [ APPLAUSE  
14    ] [ INDISTINCT VOICES ]

15

16    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, CONGRATULATIONS EVERYBODY. NEXT  
17    IS THE COUNTY IMAGE ENHANCEMENT AWARD. IT'S GIVEN TO THE PARKS  
18    -- OUR DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION FOR THEIR JACKIE  
19    ROBINSON PARK HEALTH AND DENTAL FAIR. [ APPLAUSE ] [  
20    INDISTINCT VOICES ]

21

22    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** NEXT IS THE PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT AWARD,  
23    EXCUSE ME, AND IT'S PRESENTED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC  
24    WORKS FOR THEIR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS PERFORMANCE  
25    MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK. [ APPLAUSE ]



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, CONGRATULATIONS EVERYBODY, THANK  
3 YOU VERY MUCH. THE NEXT IS THE PERSONAL BEST AWARD. THAT'S  
4 PRESENTED TO THE OFFICE OF THE ASSESSOR FOR THEIR SERVING THE  
5 MANDARIN-SPEAKING TAXPAYER. [ APPLAUSE ]

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** CONGRATULATIONS, EVERYBODY, THANKS. NEXT IS  
8 THE ARTHUR GUTTENBERG AWARD, FOR BEST OVERALL TECHNOLOGY  
9 AWARD. IT'S PRESENTED TO THIS CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER,  
10 EXCUSE ME, TOGETHER WITH THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE BOARD,  
11 OUR INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, AND NETWORK TELEVISION TIME  
12 FOR THEIR BOARD MEETINGS AND MULTI-MEDIA ON THE WEB. [  
13 APPLAUSE ] [ INDISTINCT VOICES ]

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THE NEXT IS THE MEGA MILLION-DOLLAR  
16 PLATINUM EAGLE AWARD, AND THAT'S PRESENTED TO THE SHERIFF'S  
17 DEPARTMENT FOR THEIR INMATE SERVICES UNIT. [ APPLAUSE ] [  
18 INDISTINCT VOICES ]

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** NOW WE GET TO PRESENT THE TOP 10 AWARD  
21 WINNING PROJECTS. THE FIRST TOP 10 AWARD IS PRESENTED TO THE  
22 CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES DEPARTMENT WITH OUR DEPARTMENT OF  
23 PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES FOR THEIR AUTOMATED INTERFACE  
24 PARTNERSHIP. [ APPLAUSE ] [ INDISTINCT VOICES ]

25



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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THE NEXT TOP 10 AWARD IS PRESENTED TO THE  
2    DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, OFFICE OF WOMEN'S HEALTH, FOR  
3    THEIR CERVICAL CANCER PREVENTION AND EDUCATION INITIATIVE. [   
4    APPLAUSE ] [ INDISTINCT VOICES ]

5

6    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. CONGRATULATIONS, EVERYBODY. THE  
7    NEXT TOP 10 AWARD IS PRESENTED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN  
8    AND FAMILY SERVICES, FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND  
9    PROBATION DEPARTMENT FOR THEIR CLINICAL AND PLACEMENT SUPPORT.  
10   [ APPLAUSE ] [ INDISTINCT VOICES ]

11

12   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD, CONGRATULATIONS EVERYBODY. THE  
13   NEXT TOP 10 AWARD IS PRESENTED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL  
14   HEALTH, WITH THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND SHERIFF'S  
15   DEPARTMENT, THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC DEFENDER AND THE LOS ANGELES  
16   SUPERIOR COURT FOR THEIR COMPETENCY RESTORATION PROGRAM. [   
17   APPLAUSE ] [ INDISTINCT VOICES ]

18

19   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY, VERY GOOD, CONGRATULATIONS. THE NEXT  
20   TOP 10 AWARD IS PRESENTED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS  
21   FOR THEIR H.H.W.M.P. ELECTRONIC WASTE, E-WASTE COLLECTION,  
22   THAT'S -- [ APPLAUSE ]

23



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1   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THAT'S LIKE ALL YOUR OLD COMPUTERS AND ALL  
2   OF YOUR ELECTRONIC THINGS, YOU KEEP THEM OUT OF LANDFILLS,  
3   IT'S VERY GOOD. [ INDISTINCT VOICES ]

4

5   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THE NEXT TOP 10 AWARD IS PRESENTED TO THE  
6   SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES  
7   FOR THEIR JAIL H.I.V./A.I.D.S. SERVICES PROGRAM. [ APPLAUSE ]  
8   [ INDISTINCT VOICES ]

9

10   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** CONGRATULATIONS. THE NEXT TOP 10 AWARD IS  
11   PRESENTED TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION HOUSING  
12   AUTHORITY, AND OUR DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES,  
13   THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, AND THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT  
14   FOR THEIR "STEP OUT" APARTMENTS. [ APPLAUSE ] [ INDISTINCT  
15   VOICES ]

16

17   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD, CONGRATULATIONS. NOW WE'RE GOING  
18   TO BE PRESENTING THE COMMISSION'S TOP THREE EAGLE AWARDS.  
19   FIRST, THE BRONZE EAGLE GRAND PRIZE WINNER IS PRESENTED TO THE  
20   DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS FOR THEIR SOLAR POWERED BUS STOP  
21   AMENITIES PROGRAM. [ APPLAUSE ] [ INDISTINCT VOICES ]

22

23   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** CONGRATULATIONS. NEXT IS OUR SILVER EAGLE  
24   GRAND PRIZE WINNER, AND IT'S PRESENTED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF  
25   REGIONAL PLANNING WITH THE OFFICE OF THE ASSESSOR, THE CHIEF





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1 INFORMATION OFFICE, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS FOR  
2 THEIR OBLIQUE AERIAL DIGITAL IMAGERY PROJECT. [ APPLAUSE ] [  
3 INDISTINCT VOICES ]

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. CONGRATULATIONS,  
6 CONGRATULATIONS. [ INDISTINCT VOICES ]

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY, I KNOW, WE'RE GOING TO CLEAR EXIT  
9 STAGE RIGHT, THEN WE'RE GOING TO OPEN THE -- OR WE'RE JUST  
10 GOING TO DO A VIDEO AGAIN, AND THEN WE'RE GOING TO PRESENT THE  
11 BIG ONE.

12

13 **ANNOUNCER:** SO, AND SEE THE SIDES OF BUILDINGS, TO MEASURE  
14 THEIR HEIGHTS, LOOK AT THEM FROM SEVERAL DIFFERENT ANGLES,  
15 FIND ELEVATION FOR ANY POINT ON THE PHOTO AND MUCH MORE. THE  
16 IMAGERY IS HELPING ALL THREE DEPARTMENTS IN MANY ACTIVITIES,  
17 ESPECIALLY WITH PROPERTY ASSESSMENT, FACILITIES MANAGEMENT,  
18 FLOOD CONTROL AND ROAD DESIGN, PLANNING AND ZONING ACTIVITIES,  
19 AND ZONING ENFORCEMENT. AND NOW, FOR THE COMMISSION'S TOP  
20 AWARD, THE GOLD EAGLE AWARD AND ALSO ANOTHER RECIPIENT OF THE  
21 COMMISSION'S PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT AWARD, WE ARE PROUD TO  
22 HONOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES HARBOR-U.C.L.A.  
23 MEDICAL CENTER FOR THEIR BEST PRACTICE, CLINIC EFFECTIVENESS  
24 AND PRODUCTIVITY. OVER THE PAST 10 YEARS, HEALTH SERVICES  
25 MISSION TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO UNDER-INSURED AND UNINSURED



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1 POPULATIONS HAS GROWN SIGNIFICANTLY, WHILE THE DEMAND HAS  
2 INCREASED THE DEPARTMENT'S FISCAL CRISIS STILL LOOMS AND  
3 ALLOCATION OF ADDITIONAL RESOURCES HAS BEEN KEPT TO A MINIMUM.  
4 FACED WITH THESE CHALLENGES, THE AMBULATORY CARE STAFF AND  
5 LEADERSHIP BEGAN IMPLEMENTING A NUMBER OF OPERATIONAL CHANGES  
6 THAT LED TO INCREASED CLINIC PRODUCTIVITY AND PATIENT  
7 SATISFACTION. THESE CHANGES INCLUDED THE DEVELOPMENT OF  
8 INDIVIDUAL CLINIC MANAGEMENT TEAMS AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF  
9 CLINIC PRODUCTIVITY AND OTHER AREA-SPECIFIC GOALS IN ADDITION  
10 TO THE FORMATION OF AN INTERDISCIPLINARY AMBULATORY CARE  
11 COUNCIL. OVERALL CLINIC PRODUCTIVITY HAS INCREASED BY 25% IN  
12 THE SEVEN YEARS AND OUT-PATIENT COSTS HAVE DECREASED SINCE  
13 INDIVIDUAL CLINIC PRODUCTIVITY TARGETS WERE INITIALLY  
14 ESTABLISHED. IN JUST TWO YEARS, PATIENT SATISFACTION ROSE FROM  
15 80% TO OVER 96%. THESE CHANGES LED TO EFFICIENCIES THAT  
16 SURPASSED PERFORMANCE MEASURES SET IN BOTH THE PUBLIC AND  
17 PRIVATE SECTORS OF HEALTHCARE. MOST RECENTLY, HARBOR-U.C.L.A.  
18 WAS SELECTED AS ONE OF THE THREE BEST PRACTICES IN AMBULATORY  
19 CARE FROM ACROSS THE COUNTRY BY THE UNIVERSITY HEALTH SYSTEM  
20 CONSORTIUM. THEY WERE LAUDED AS EXCEPTIONAL PERFORMERS IN THE  
21 TOP FIFTH PERCENTILE IN THE AREAS OF ACCESS TO CARE,  
22 PRODUCTIVITY, AND PATIENT SATISFACTION. [ APPLAUSE ]

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** AND NOW WE'RE PROUD TO HONOR THE DEPARTMENT  
25 OF HEALTH SERVICES, HARBOR-U.C.L.A. MEDICAL CENTER FOR THEIR



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1 BEST PRACTICE CLINIC EFFECTIVENESS AND PRODUCTIVITY. I'M GOING  
2 TO ASK DR. GARTHWAITE, IF YOU'D SAY A FEW WORDS AS WELL TOO  
3 PLEASE.

4

5 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** WELL, I'D LIKE TO THANK THE SUPERVISORS  
6 AND THE QUALITY AND PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION FOR THIS AWARD. ON  
7 BEHALF OF OUR STAFF, WHO'VE REALLY EARNED IT. YOU KNOW, ONE OF  
8 THE MOST IMPORTANT THINGS IS TO UNDERSTAND WHAT BUSINESS  
9 YOU'RE IN AND ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT THINGS THEN IS TO  
10 MEASURE YOUR PROGRESS TO ACHIEVING GOALS WITHIN THAT VISION.  
11 IT IS CLEAR TO US THAT OUR BUSINESS IS TO DELIVER HEALTHCARE  
12 AND DELIVER QUALITY HEALTHCARE TO THOSE WITHOUT INSURANCE AND  
13 THOSE WITHOUT OTHER MEANS TO PAY OR TO FIND HEALTHCARE  
14 SERVICES IN PARTICULAR PARTS OF THIS COUNTY. AND ONE OF THE  
15 BEST MEASURES IS ACCESS TO THAT CARE, AND WITH THE SAME  
16 DOLLARS, THIS GROUP OF PEOPLE PUT IN PLACE A SYSTEM THAT  
17 ALLOWS MANY MORE PEOPLE TO GET CARE AND TO GET BETTER CARE AS  
18 EVIDENCED BY THEIR SATISFACTION. SO WE'RE PROUD OF THEM AND  
19 THEY'VE REALLY SET THE PACE FOR THE REST OF THE SYSTEM AS WE  
20 IMPLEMENT OUR PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM TO DRIVE QUALITY  
21 HEALTHCARE ACROSS THE COUNTY. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR ALL  
24 OF OUR WINNERS. [ APPLAUSE ]

25



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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** AND AGAIN, WE WANT TO THANK THE QUALITY AND  
2    PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION, CHAIRPERSON JACKIE HILL AND TO ALL OF  
3    OUR COMMISSIONERS. BUT, MORE IMPORTANTLY, TO FOLKS THAT IN THE  
4    COUNTY FAMILY THEY'VE WORKED SO HARD TO ENHANCE EFFECTIVENESS  
5    AND OPPORTUNITY FOR SERVICE IN WHATEVER AREA IT MAY BE, SO A  
6    BIG HAND TO OUR COUNTY FAMILY AS WELL, TOO. [ APPLAUSE ]

7

8    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. NOW I'D LIKE TO CALL COLONEL  
9    JOSEPH SMITH, OUR DIRECTOR OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS,  
10    FORWARD. THROUGHOUT OUR HISTORY, LOYAL CITIZENS FROM EVERY  
11    CORNER OF AMERICA HAVE BEEN WILLING TO ASSUME THE DUTY OF  
12    MILITARY LIFE. THERE ARE MORE THAN 25 MILLION LIVING AMERICAN  
13    VETERANS, MANY OF THEM WHO PUT THEIR LIVES ON THE LINE TO  
14    PRESERVE OUR FREEDOM, MANY DOING THAT TODAY. MEMBERS OF THE  
15    ARMY, NAVY, AIR FORCE, MARINES, AND COAST GUARD HAVE PROTECTED  
16    OUR COUNTRY AND LIBERATED MILLIONS OF PEOPLE AROUND THE WORLD  
17    FROM THE THREATS OF TYRANNY AND TERROR. TODAY, OUR PROUD  
18    VETERANS HAVE GIVEN US EXTRAORDINARY LEGACY OF PATRIOTISM AND  
19    HONOR AND THEIR SERVICE REPRESENTS THE HIGHEST FORM OF  
20    CITIZENSHIP. WE SALUTE THEIR SERVICE, HONOR THEIR SACRIFICE,  
21    AND CONTINUE TO THANK THEM FOR SUPPORTING THIS NATION IN EVERY  
22    HOUR OF OUR NEED. SO ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY COLLEAGUES ON  
23    THE BOARD, IT'S MY PLEASURE TO PRESENT THIS SCROLL TO COLONEL  
24    SMITH AS WE PROCLAIM NOVEMBER 11TH 2004 AS NATIONAL VETERANS'  
25    DAY AND URGE THE CITIZENS OF OUR GREAT COUNTY AND STATE AND



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1 NATION TO HONOR ALL VETERANS WHO HAVE SERVED SO VALIANTLY TO  
2 PROTECT THIS GREAT COUNTRY. [ APPLAUSE ]

3

4 **COLONEL JOSEPH SMITH:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF  
5 THE BOARD. I APPRECIATE THE BOARD RECOGNIZING NOVEMBER THE  
6 11TH VETERANS' DAY, WHICH IS A SPECIAL DAY IN OUR COUNTRY  
7 WHERE WE HONOR THE SERVICE AND SACRIFICE OF OUR VETERANS. AND  
8 AS WE DO SO, I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER ALL GAVE SOME  
9 AND SOME GAVE ALL. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, AS WE FOLLOW UP ON WHAT COLONEL  
14 SMITH WAS EXPRESSING ABOUT VETERANS' DAY, IT'S OUR PLEASURE  
15 THAT WE HAVE TODAY SOME OUTSTANDING SOLDIERS WHO ARE INVOLVED  
16 IN THE WAR ON TERROR HELPING TO DEFEND OUR STATE AND NATION  
17 FOR FREEDOM. AS WE STATED, ON THURSDAY, THE COUNTY WILL BE  
18 CELEBRATING VETERANS' DAY WHERE WE PAY TRIBUTE TO THE BRAVE  
19 MEN AND WOMEN WHO HAVE SERVED OUR NATION AS MEMBERS OF THE  
20 MILITARY. WELL, THIS MORNING I HAVE THE PLEASURE OF  
21 INTRODUCING FOUR OUTSTANDING SOLDIERS WHO HAVE SERVED OUR  
22 COUNTRY, OUR STATE, AND OUR NATION WITH HONOR. FIRST I WOULD  
23 LIKE TO RECOGNIZE BRIGADIER GENERAL JOHN GONG, WHO WAS BORN IN  
24 CANTON, CHINA, WHERE HE BEGAN HIS MILITARY CAREER AS AN  
25 ENLISTED SOLDIER IN THE CALIFORNIA MILITARY ARMY NATIONAL





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1 GUARD. HE WAS COMMISSIONED AS SECOND LIEUTENANT IN 1971.  
2 GENERAL GONG HAS COMMANDED NATIONAL GUARD TROOPS WHICH HAVE  
3 BEEN DEPLOYED DURING THE 1992 LOS ANGELES RIOTS, AND CURRENTLY  
4 SERVES AS THE DEPUTY COMMANDER SUPPORT HEADQUARTERS 40TH  
5 INFANTRY DIVISION MECHANIZED. IN JANUARY OF THIS COMING YEAR,  
6 GENERAL GONG WILL DEPLOY OVERSEAS AS THE OPERATIONS COMMANDER  
7 OF A SIZABLE FORCE OF SOLDIERS AS PART OF THE GLOBAL WAR ON  
8 TERRORISM. HE IS A ROLE MODEL FOR ASIAN-AMERICANS AND INDEED  
9 FOR ALL CITIZENS, AND I'M HONORED TO PRESENT HIM WITH THIS  
10 COMMENDATION AT THIS TIME. GENERAL GONG? [ APPLAUSE ]

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NEXT IS CAPTAIN RUSSELL NAKAISHI, WHO IS A  
13 NATIVE OF HILO, HAWAII. CAPTAIN NAKAISHI HAS DISTINGUISHED  
14 HIMSELF AS A LEADER IN THE CALIFORNIA STATE MILITARY RESERVE  
15 WHERE HE CURRENTLY SERVES AS COMMANDER OF THE FIRST TO THE  
16 185TH ARMORED SUPPORT DETACHMENT. HE BEGAN HIS CAREER EIGHT  
17 YEARS AGO SERVING IN A VARIETY OF BRIGADIER LEVEL -- BRIGADE  
18 LEVEL STAFF ASSIGNMENTS. HE WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN THE FORMATION  
19 AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE STATE MILITARY RESERVES, FIRST TO THE  
20 185TH SUPPORT DETACHMENT A UNIT THAT ASSISTED THE CALIFORNIA  
21 NATIONAL GUARD IN TRAINING AND TESTING APPROXIMATELY 2,000  
22 SOLDIERS FROM THE FIRST TO THE 185TH THAT WERE DEPLOYED TO  
23 OVERSEAS ASSIGNMENTS. SO ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD, CAPTAIN, WE'D  
24 LIKE TO GIVE YOU THIS PROCLAMATION. [ APPLAUSE ]

25



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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER 2, JAMES CHIN, SERVED  
2    OUR NATION IN COMBAT IN VIETNAM AS A SOLDIER IN THE FIRST  
3    CALVARY DIVISION. IN 1999, HE ANSWERED OUR STATE'S CALL TO  
4    SERVE WHEN HE JOINED THE STATE MILITARY RESERVE. SINCE 9/11,  
5    CHIEF CHIN HAS SERVED AS PART OF THE SOLDIERS READINESS  
6    PROCESSING TEAM HELPING WITH THE DEPLOYMENT OF CALIFORNIA  
7    NATIONAL GUARD SOLDIERS FOR OPERATION IRAQ FREEDOM, OPERATION  
8    ENDURING FREEDOM, AND OPERATION NOBLE EAGLE, KOSOVO,  
9    GUANTANAMO BAY, AND OTHER MISSIONS IN SUPPORT OF THE GLOBAL  
10    WAR ON TERROR. WE WOULD LIKE TO PRESENT THIS PROCLAMATION TO  
11    GENERAL -- CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER CHIN. GOING TO MAKE YOU A  
12    GENERAL. [ APPLAUSE ]

13

14    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER STEVEN CHO, HIS  
15    MILITARY EXPERIENCE CROSSES MANY DECADES AND CONTINENTS. HE  
16    FIRST SERVED AS A CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER IN THE REPUBLIC OF  
17    KOREA'S ARMY FROM MARCH 1956 THROUGH JANUARY 1971, AND NOW  
18    PROUDLY WEARS THE UNIFORM OF THE CALIFORNIA STATE MILITARY  
19    RESERVE. HE'S A GRADUATE OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY SIGNAL  
20    SCHOOL AND THE U.S. ARMY AIR DEFENSE SCHOOL. HE'S  
21    DISTINGUISHED HIMSELF AS AN OUTSTANDING AMBASSADOR FOR KOREAN  
22    AMERICANS. AS SUCH HE SERVED AS A SPECIAL PROJECT OFFICER FOR  
23    50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE 40TH INFANTRY DIVISIONS RETURNING FROM  
24    KOREA. HE WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN OBTAINING A KOREAN PRESIDENTIAL  
25    UNIT CITATION RIBBON FOR THE DIVISION'S COLORS, AND ARRANGING



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1 FOR THE KOREAN CONSUL-GENERAL TO PRESENT IT AT THE EVENT HELD  
2 LAST MONTH. HE IS CURRENTLY ASSIGNED TO THE PUBLIC AFFAIRS  
3 OFFICE OF THE 40TH INFANTRY DIVISION MECHANIZED SUPPORT  
4 BRIGADE. SO I WOULD LIKE TO PRESENT THIS TO CHIEF WARRANT  
5 OFFICER STEVEN CHO. [ APPLAUSE ]

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** GENERAL GONG?

8

9 **GENERAL GONG:** OH, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU. MY WORDS  
10 SHALL BE BRIEF, BUT, WOW, WHAT A GREAT DAY TO BE AN AMERICAN,  
11 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. HONORABLE SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, TO ALL  
12 OF OUR PUBLIC LEADERS THAT ARE HERE TODAY, AND EQUALLY TO OUR  
13 -- MY COMRADES IN UNIFORM, I AM HUMBL Y HONORED THAT WE ARE  
14 RECOGNIZED TODAY, PERHAPS ON MY PART UNDESERVINGLY, BUT IF IT  
15 REPRESENTS THE SOLDIERS THAT ARE CURRENTLY IN HARM'S WAY  
16 TRYING TO PROTECT THIS COUNTRY'S FREEDOM, THEN I GLADLY  
17 ACKNOWLEDGE THE RECEIPT OF THIS. OFTEN TIMES PEOPLE ASK ME  
18 "WHY, GENERAL GONG, DO YOU DO WHAT YOU DO?" AND PERHAPS THE  
19 RENOWNED GENERAL DOUGLAS MACARTHUR SUMMED IT UP VERY NICELY  
20 BACK IN 1952, AND HE SAID, "FOR DUTY, FOR HONOR, FOR COUNTRY."  
21 I THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE. THANK YOU. [  
22 APPLAUSE ]

23

24 **CAPTAIN RUSSELL NAKAISHI:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE HONOR TO  
25 REPRESENT THE ASIAN-AMERICAN SOLDIERS IN THE GUARD AND THE



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1 STATE MILITARY RESERVE. AS FOR ME, A ROLE MODEL IS ALWAYS  
2 IMPORTANT TO GIVE ME THE INSPIRATION TO DO WHAT I DO FOR THE  
3 STATE, COUNTY, AND NATION, AND THAT COMES FROM THE WORLD WAR  
4 II VETERANS, THE JAPANESE-AMERICAN VETERANS WHO SERVED WITH  
5 THE 100TH INFANTRY BATTALION, 442ND REGIMENTAL COMBAT TEAM AND  
6 INTERPRETERS THAT SERVED IN THE PACIFIC. THEIR DEDICATION AND  
7 THEIR HIGH STANDARDS HAVE BEEN THE INSPIRATION FOR ME TO DO MY  
8 BEST IN THE STATE MILITARY RESERVE AND FOR THIS NATION. THANK  
9 YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

10

11 **CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER JAMES CHIN:** THANK YOU FOR THE HONOR AND  
12 THE TIME IN FRONT OF THIS COMMISSION. FOR ME, MILITARY SERVICE  
13 HAS ALL BEEN FOR THE GUY TO THE RIGHT OF ME, TO THE GUY TO THE  
14 LEFT OF ME. MILITARY SERVICE IS AN HONORABLE VALUE, AND THAT  
15 IT CONTRIBUTES TO THIS COMMUNITY, THIS COUNTY AND THIS STATE  
16 AND IT GIVES ME EXTRA PRIDE IN WHAT I'M DOING. RIGHT NOW, OUR  
17 GUYS ARE MOSTLY OVERSEAS DOING THEIR JOB, BUT THAT LEAVES  
18 BEHIND STUFF IN THE COMMUNITY HERE THAT STILL NEEDS TO BE  
19 DONE. THE NATIONAL GUARD DOES FIRE, THEY DO FLOODS, THEY DO  
20 SEARCH AND RESCUES, THEY DO THINGS THAT ORDINARILY THE COUNTY  
21 IS BEYOND RESOURCE FOR BECAUSE THEY HAVE SPECIAL EQUIPMENT.  
22 RIGHT NOW IF PEOPLE HAVE TIME AND THEY WANT TO COMMIT SOME  
23 SERVICE TO THEIR COUNTY AND TO THEIR STATE, THE NATIONAL  
24 GUARD, AND THE STATE MILITARY RESERVE IS -- HAS OPENINGS, AND



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1 IF YOU'D LIKE TO COME AND JOIN UP, COME AND SEE ANY OF US AND  
2 WE'LL HELP YOU WITH THE PAPERWORK. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CHO? [ APPLAUSE ]

5

6 **CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER STEVE CHO:** THANK YOU, LADIES AND  
7 GENTLEMEN. I HOPE WITH THIS EVENT, COUNTY LOS ANGELES WILL BE  
8 NUMBER ONE COUNTY IN THE UNITED STATES TO FIGHT THE TERRORISM.  
9 THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU CHO. LET ME SAY EARLIER THIS  
12 MORNING, WE HAD A PRESS CONFERENCE IN MY OFFICE, WE HAD FIVE  
13 MEMBERS OF THE ASIAN MEDIA, TELEVISION, AND PRINT MEDIA THERE  
14 AND THEY INTERVIEWED EACH OF THESE INDIVIDUALS, AND WHERE  
15 THERE ARE APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE, THERE IS A WEB PAGE YOU CAN  
16 CONTACT FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THOSE WHO ARE  
17 INTERESTED IN JOINING THE CALIFORNIA NATIONAL GUARD OR THE  
18 STATE MILITARY RESERVE, AND WE APPRECIATE GENERAL SWIDLER'S  
19 LEADERSHIP, WHO IS THE COMMANDING GENERAL IN GENERAL AREAS,  
20 WHO'S THE ADJUTANT GENERAL FOR THE CALIFORNIA NATIONAL GUARD,  
21 AND WE WILL PARTICIPATE IN MORE OF THESE PROGRAMS SO WE CAN  
22 ENSURE THAT WE HAVE TOTAL INVOLVEMENT OF OUR GREAT COUNTY.  
23 GENERAL SWIDLER WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THE MILITARY REFLECT THE  
24 GREAT POPULATION OF THIS GREAT COUNTY, AND THAT IS OUR  
25 ASSIGNMENT, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO CARRYING IT OUT. SO WE



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1   THANK THE GENERAL AND WE WISH HIM WELL AS HE'S DEPLOYED  
2   OVERSEAS IN JANUARY AND WE THANK THE OTHER THREE OFFICERS WHO  
3   WERE DEVOTING THEIR TIME AND HELPING WITH THE DEPLOYMENT FOR  
4   OUR MEN AND WOMEN WHO ARE GOING OVERSEAS. SO THANK YOU VERY  
5   MUCH AND GOD BLESS YOU. [ APPLAUSE ] [ INDISTINCT VOICES ]

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7   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ANOTHER FRIEND THAT I'D LIKE TO BRING BEFORE  
8   THE BOARD, AND WE'RE SORRY THAT HE HAS RETIRED, BUT HE'S NOT  
9   RETIRING FROM THE MEDICAL SERVICE, HE'S STILL GOING TO BE  
10  INVOLVED, AND THAT'S DR. STEVEN RYAN, WHO WAS THE DEAN OF  
11  U.S.C.'S KECK SCHOOL OF MEDICINE FOR THE PAST 13 YEARS, FROM  
12  1991 TO 2004, AND AS SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT FROM 1993 TO 2004.  
13  HE'S NOW A PROFESSOR OPHTHALMOLOGY AND PRESIDENT OF THE DOHENY  
14  EYE INSTITUTE, WHICH IS A STATE OF THE ART FACILITY RECOGNIZED  
15  AS A PROMINENT CENTER FOR PATIENT CARE, VISION RESEARCH AND  
16  PHYSICIAN EDUCATION. HE SERVED AS CHAIRMAN OF THE U.S.C.  
17  DEPARTMENT OPHTHALMOLOGY FROM 1974 TO 1995. HE WAS AWARDED HIS  
18  MEDICAL DEGREE FROM JOHN HOPKINS UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF  
19  MEDICINE, AND COMPLETED HIS RESIDENCY AND CHIEF RESIDENCY  
20  THERE. AN INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED EXPERT, HE HAS APPEARED  
21  BEFORE CONGRESS A NUMBER OF TIMES IN SUPPORT OF THE NATIONAL  
22  INSTITUTES OF HEALTH AND THE NATIONAL EYE INSTITUTE. SO  
23  STEPHEN, WE APPRECIATE YOUR LEADERSHIP IN THE COUNTY AT U.S.C.  
24  AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU AT DOHENY AND WISH YOU  
25  CONTINUED SUCCESS IN BEING A GOOD ROLE MODEL FOR ALL OF THE





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1 CITIZENS OF OUR GREAT COUNTY AND STATE. [ APPLAUSE ] [  
2 INDISTINCT VOICES ]

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE ALWAYS SIT NEXT TO EACH OTHER AT THE SONS  
5 OF SAINT PATRICK DINNER EACH YEAR AT THE BEVERLY HILTON.

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7 **DR. STEPHEN J. RYAN:** THAT'S RIGHT. I LIKE TO SEE MICHAEL O.  
8 ANTONOVICH, YOU KNOW, WE REALLY DO THAT PRETTY WELL TOGETHER.  
9 BUT WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO IS TO THANK THE ENTIRE BOARD, ALL  
10 THESE SUPERVISORS INDIVIDUALLY AND COLLECTIVELY FOR WHAT YOU  
11 DO FOR HEALTHCARE FOR ALL THE CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES, AND AS  
12 WE HEARD EARLIER THIS MORNING, OUR COUNTY IS THE SIZE OF A  
13 COUNTRY AND THE POPULATION, AND WHAT YOU DO FOR ALL OF US AND  
14 CERTAINLY FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, I KNOW WHAT A CHALLENGE IT IS,  
15 I KNOW THE FINANCIAL CHALLENGES, AND THAT'S SOMETHING A  
16 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND A STATE GOVERNMENT, BUT YOU FIND A WAY  
17 TO MAKE IT WORK FOR ALL OF US, AND WHETHER IT'S A TRAUMA  
18 NETWORK, OR AS I GO FORWARD IN MY LIFE AT DOHENY AND WE HAVE  
19 THE PARTNERSHIP WITH U.S.C., WE DEEPLY APPRECIATE ALL THE  
20 SUPERVISORS DO IN WORKING WITH DR. GARTHWAITE AND THE  
21 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES. SO THANKS FOR ALL YOU DO FOR  
22 LOS ANGELES, I APPRECIATE IT, THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

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24 **DR. STEPHEN J. RYAN:** EXCUSE ME, I'D LIKE TO BE ABLE TO  
25 INTRODUCE MY WIFE ANNE, AND DAUGHTER PATTY, WHO'VE SUPPORTED



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1 ME OVER THESE 30 YEARS HERE AND MAYBE WE MAYBE WE MIGHT GET A  
2 PHOTOGRAPH IF WE COULD. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [ INDISTINCT  
3 VOICES ]

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW I WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME MRS. HASMIK  
6 DANIELIAN AND DR. ARMINE HACOPIAN, WHO ARE RECIPIENTS OF THE  
7 ARMENIAN EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION'S 2204 EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR  
8 AWARDS. DR. HASMIK HAS BEEN AN EDUCATOR WITH THE GLENDALE  
9 UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR 15 YEARS AND A PRINCIPAL FOR 8  
10 YEARS STARTING AT TOLL MIDDLE SCHOOL AND ASSUMING THE COLE  
11 PRINCIPALSHIP AT HOOVER HIGH SCHOOL FOUR YEARS AGO AT HIGH  
12 SCHOOL. HASMIK HOLDS TWO MASTER'S DEGREES AND HAS TAUGHT AT  
13 GLENDALE COLLEGE, BURBANK ADULT SCHOOL, AZUSA PACIFIC  
14 UNIVERSITY, ONE OF THE GREAT UNIVERSITIES IN OUR COUNTY, ALONG  
15 WITH CLAREMONT COLLEGES, PITTSBURGH AND SCRIPS. AT A STATE  
16 CONFERENCE LAST SPRING, HASMIK WAS INTRODUCED AS THE FIRST  
17 TRIPLE CROWN WINNING PRINCIPAL IN CALIFORNIA. UNDER HER  
18 GUIDANCE, THE FACULTY BECAME A CALIFORNIA DISTINGUISHED  
19 SCHOOL, A NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL AND STATE AND NATIONAL  
20 TITLE 1 HIGH ACHIEVING SCHOOL. THE ONLY TRIPLE CROWN WINNING  
21 SCHOOL IN THE STATE AT THAT TIME. SHE'S ALSO BEEN NAMED THE  
22 2004 PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR BY THE ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA  
23 SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS. SO CONGRATULATIONS. I'LL GIVE YOU THIS  
24 PROCLAMATION. [ APPLAUSE ]

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ARMINE IS A MEMBER OF THE GLENDALE COMMUNITY  
2    COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES SINCE 2001. SHE'S HAD MORE  
3    THAN THIRTY YEARS EXPERIENCE IN EDUCATION, COUNSELING AND  
4    LEADERSHIP TRAINING. SHE HOLDS TWO MASTER'S DEGREE AND A  
5    DOCTORATE IN ORGANIZATIONAL MANAGEMENT AND EDUCATIONAL  
6    LEADERSHIP FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF LA VERNE. IN 2002, SHE  
7    SERVED AS CO-CHAIR OF THE SUCCESSFUL MEASURE G CAMPAIGN WHICH  
8    GENERATED NEARLY A HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS FOR UPGRADES AND  
9    RENOVATIONS ON THE GLENDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE CAMPUS. DR.  
10    HACOPIAN HAS BEEN AN INSTRUCTOR, ADMINISTRATOR, COUNSELOR,  
11    E.S.L. SPECIALIST AND PROGRAM COORDINATOR THROUGHOUT HER  
12    CAREER. SHE'S ALSO BEEN INVOLVED WITH THE CITY OF GLENDALE'S  
13    MEMORIAL COMMITTEE, NEW HORIZON'S FAMILY CENTER, A GREAT  
14    CENTER THAT HELPS CHILDREN IN SOUTH GLENDALE AND THE GLENDALE  
15    BURBANK CHAPTERS OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS. SO DOCTOR, WE  
16    APPRECIATE YOUR LEADERSHIP AND LONG-TIME FAMILY FRIENDSHIP. [  
17    APPLAUSE ] [ INDISTINCT VOICES ]

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19    **SPEAKER:** I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS MY  
20    GRATITUDE TO HONORABLE MIKE ANTONOVICH AND COUNTY BOARD OF  
21    SUPERVISORS. COMMUNITY SERVICE AND EMPOWERING OUR YOUTH  
22    CONTINUE BEING THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IN MY LIFE. THANK YOU  
23    VERY MUCH. [ APPLAUSE ]

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1   **SPEAKER:** I ALSO WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND MY DEEPEST APPRECIATION  
2   TO HONORABLE MIKE ANTONOVICH FOR INITIATING THIS RECOGNITION.  
3   EDUCATION IS THE ONLY THING THAT WE HAVE THAT INVESTS IN THE  
4   FUTURE OF OUR YOUTH. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ] [ INDISTINCT  
5   VOICES ]

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7   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND BRINGING OUT OUR LITTLE ANIMAL OF THE  
8   WEEK IS MARCJA MAYEDA, AS WE WELCOME HER, BECAUSE THIS IS ALSO  
9   NATIONAL ANIMAL SHELTER WEEK -- APPRECIATION WEEK. WITH HER WE  
10   HAVE OUR SEVEN-WEEK OLD DOMESTIC LONG HAIR NAMED MIDNIGHT. SO  
11   I GIVE YOU LITTLE MIDNIGHT, COMES WITH A RED BOW. ANYBODY WHO  
12   WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT HER CAN CALL THE TELEPHONE NUMBER AT THE  
13   BOTTOM OF YOUR SCREEN, OR IN THE AUDIENCE WHO WOULD LIKE TO  
14   ADOPT LITTLE MIDNIGHT, SEE ANYBODY? YOU LIKE UNCLE DON OVER  
15   THERE, HUH? I'M SURE DAVID JANSSEN WITH THAT NEW HAIRDO WOULD  
16   LIKE TO TAKE A CAT HOME. DAVID? DAVID? WOULD YOU LIKE TO TAKE  
17   A LITTLE CAT HOME WITH THAT NEW HAIRDO? YOU'RE JUST LOOKING?  
18   LOOKING AROUND? THERE'S -- OVER THERE, THERE'S DAVID. THE  
19   TELEPHONE NUMBER IS (562) 728-4644, OR IN THE AUDIENCE. AND  
20   MARCIA, LET ME GIVE YOU THIS PROCLAMATION, AS WE HAVE NATIONAL  
21   ANIMAL SHELTER APPRECIATION WEEK FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS  
22   ANGELES. OKAY. OKAY. [ APPLAUSE ]

23

24   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU WANT TO SAY SOMETHING?

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1   **MARCIA MAYEDA:** SURE. I'D JUST LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR  
2   ANTONOVICH AND THE REST OF THE BOARD FOR DECLARING THIS  
3   NATIONAL ANIMAL SHELTER APPRECIATION WEEK. THE SHELTERS DO A  
4   TREMENDOUS SERVICE IN THE COMMUNITY BY RESCUING AND RE-HOMING  
5   LOST AND UNWANTED PETS, AND I'D LIKE TO INVITE ANYBODY WHO'S  
6   INTERESTED IN ADOPTING A PET FOR THE HOLIDAYS, MAKING A HAPPY  
7   HOLIDAY FOR THOSE HOMELESS ANIMALS, TO PLEASE COME TO ONE OF  
8   OUR COUNTY SHELTERS AND FIND A WONDERFUL PET. THANK YOU.

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10   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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12   **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. I WANTED TO DO A SPECIAL  
13   ADJOURNMENT. I WANTED TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN THIS MORNING IN  
14   THE MEMORY OF LUIS SANCHEZ QUINTANAR. HE'S A LONG-TIME  
15   RESIDENT OF EAST L.A. HE RECENTLY JOYFULLY CELEBRATED HIS 83RD  
16   BIRTHDAY. WE WANTED TO EXPRESS OUR CONDOLENCES TO THE MEMBERS  
17   OF HIS FAMILY, SOME OF THEM WHO ARE HERE WITH US IN THE  
18   AUDIENCE. WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR THOUGHTS AND OUR PRAYERS TO  
19   HIS WIFE OFELIA, AND THEIR THREE CHILDREN, MARGIE, DARLENE,  
20   AND CHUCK. LUIS'S DAUGHTER, MARGIE ARVISO, IS SOMEONE WHO HAS  
21   BEEN WORKING WITH US FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS, SHE'S A DEDICATED  
22   NURSE AT L.A. COUNTY U.S.C. WOMEN AND CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL. SHE  
23   HAS ASSISTED US TREMENDOUSLY IN A LOT OF OUR COMMUNITY ISSUES  
24   OUT THERE. SHE IS ALSO VERY DEDICATED TO THE HISPANIC NURSES  
25   ASSOCIATION AND SHE'S BEEN AN OUTSTANDING ROLE MODEL TO ALL OF



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1 THE OTHER NURSES. SO I WANTED TO DO THAT SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT  
2 BECAUSE I KNOW THAT IT WAS LUIS SANCHEZ QUINTANAR WHO PROVIDED  
3 A LOT OF INSPIRATION TO MARGIE AND OTHERS THAT PROVIDED  
4 TREMENDOUS SERVICE. SO I'D LIKE US TO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MR.  
5 LUIS SANCHEZ QUINTANAR.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, BECAUSE WE ARE AN EMPLOYER  
10 SUPPORTIVE OF THE GUARD AND RESERVE AND WE EACH HAVE BEEN  
11 GIVEN A -- BILL HOSKIN'S GIVEN US THIS PROCLAMATION THIS  
12 MORNING, HE WANTS TO DO A PICTURE FOR THEIR PUBLICATION ON  
13 THIS.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. [ INDISTINCT VOICES ]

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ZEV, SUPERVISOR BURKE HAS A --

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I DO NOT BELIEVE I HAVE ANY  
20 ADJOURNING MOTIONS TODAY, I'LL JUST DOUBLE CHECK. I DO NOT. I  
21 WANT TO CALL UP NUMBER 6, AND I HAVE AN AMENDMENT TO MAKE. I  
22 ASKED MY STAFF TO CIRCULATE IT. AS DRAFT OF THE MINUTES AND  
23 STATEMENTS OF PROCEEDINGS FOR ITEM CS-2 CONSIDERED AT THE  
24 MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 7TH, 2004, AND ADJOURNED AT THE SEPTEMBER  
25 13TH, 2004 MEETING, DID NOT INDICATE THAT ANY REPORTABLE





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1 ACTION WAS TAKEN ON THE ITEM. HOWEVER, IN HIS REPORT DATED  
2 NOVEMBER 5TH, THIS PAST FRIDAY, THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY  
3 CONCLUDED THAT THE BOARD EXCEEDED THE PERMISSIBLE PARAMETERS  
4 OF GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9, REGARDING THE SCOPE OF  
5 ALLOWABLE DISCUSSION AND REACHED APPARENT CONSENSUS ON THE  
6 ACTIONS RELATED TO SAVING KING DREW MEDICAL CENTER. THE  
7 MINUTES AND STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD SHOULD  
8 REFLECT AND BE RESPONSIVE TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S FINDINGS.  
9 I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE MINUTES AND THE STATEMENT OF  
10 PROCEEDINGS FOR THE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 7TH, 2004, ADJOURNED  
11 TO SEPTEMBER 13TH, 2004, INCLUDE A REFERENCE TO THE FINDINGS  
12 OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY, AND THAT THE BOARD SPECIFICALLY  
13 RESCIND AND DECLARE A NULLITY THE ACTION THAT THE DISTRICT  
14 ATTORNEY FOUND TO HAVE CONSTITUTED ACTION TAKEN UNDER THE  
15 BROWN ACT.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED. SECONDED?

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19 **SUP. BURKE:** I SECOND IT.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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23 **SUP. BURKE:** RIGHT.

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25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN --



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2 **SUP. BURKE:** I'LL GO BACK TO MINE NOW.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY, GO AHEAD. THANKS.

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6 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY WE  
7 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DR. WILLIAM I. YOUNG. HE PASSED AWAY ON  
8 MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST, AFTER A VERY BRIEF INTENSE STRUGGLE WITH  
9 CANCER. HE WAS A DOCTOR OF PULMONARY MEDICINE AT CEDAR SINAI  
10 AND ASSISTANT CLINIC PROFESSOR AT U.C.L.A. SCHOOL OF MEDICINE,  
11 ASSISTANT PROFESSOR AT CHARLES DREW POST-MEDICAL --  
12 POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL. HE CAME TO LOS ANGELES IN 1977,  
13 BEGAN A FELLOWSHIP IN PULMONARY MEDICINE AT CEDARS, HE QUICKLY  
14 BECAME AN INTEGRAL PART OF SEVERAL DIFFERENT COMMUNITIES, WAS  
15 AN IMPORTANT BRIDGE BETWEEN THE CITY'S MEDICAL COMMUNITY AND  
16 ITS AFRICAN-AMERICAN RESIDENTS. THROUGH PUBLICATIONS, A  
17 BIMONTHLY NEWSPAPER COLUMN AND PERSONAL APPEARANCE, HE SPENT A  
18 CONSIDERABLE TIME TRYING TO PERSUADE AFRICAN-AMERICANS TO  
19 ADOPT HEALTHY LIFESTYLES THAT WERE IN SYNC WITH THEIR CULTURAL  
20 INTERESTS. HE CONTRIBUTED COUNTLESS HOURS IN HIS PROFESSIONAL  
21 EXPERTISE TO PATIENTS WHO HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO AFFORD HIS  
22 SERVICES UNDER ORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES. HE VALUED THEM AS MUCH  
23 AS HE DID HIS PATIENTS WHO ARE WELL KNOWN SPORTS AND  
24 ENTERTAINMENT FIGURES. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, PHYLLIS, WHO  
25 IS EXPECTING THEIR FIRST CHILD IN DECEMBER, AND SHE IS A



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1 EMPLOYEE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, AND SON ADAM,  
2 AGED 23 AND DAUGHTER ERICA, AGED 22, FROM HIS PREVIOUS  
3 MARRIAGE. HE IS MOURNED BY HIS CHILDREN, HIS WIFE, HIS SISTER  
4 SARAH ANITA SUGS, HIS BROTHER CHARLES AND CURLY YOUNG AND HIS  
5 AUNT SARAH STIPLING. HIS SERVICE WAS HELD, AND I THINK 5,000  
6 PEOPLE ATTENDED HIS SERVICE ON MONDAY. HE WAS CERTAINLY A  
7 DISTINGUISHED PHYSICIAN AND OF COURSE HE WAS THE PERSON WHO  
8 TOOK CARE OF ALL OF THOSE PEOPLE WITH HIGH PROFILE, AND I  
9 UNDERSTAND THAT HE WAS CONGRESSWOMAN DIANE WATSON'S PERSONAL  
10 PHYSICIAN, WHO TOOK CARE OF HER DURING HER RECENT ILLNESS.

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL MEMBERS.

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14 **SUP. BURKE:** AND BERNARD JOSEPH AINSWORTH, WHO PASSED AWAY  
15 NOVEMBER 6TH. BEN BUTCH, AS HE'S WELL KNOWN BY HIS FRIENDS AND  
16 FAMILY, WAS A PEARL HARBOR SURVIVOR, ACTIVE IN THE LOCAL  
17 AMERICAN LEGION AND VETERAN OF FOREIGN WARS, HAVING SERVED AS  
18 COMMANDER TO BOTH ORGANIZATION. HE WAS AN ACTIVE CITIZEN WITH  
19 HIS WIFE, BETTY AINSWORTH, FORMER MAYOR OF THE CITY OF  
20 HAWTHORNE, WHO PRECEDED HIM IN DEATH. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS  
21 SISTER, PEGGY BERKLINE, DAUGHTERS STEPHANIE AND VICTORIA  
22 AINSWORTH, FOSTER SON, JERRY KALIS, NINE GRANDCHILDREN, SIX  
23 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN, AND STEP GRANDCHILDREN AND A HOST OF  
24 OTHER RELATIVES AND FRIENDS. AND ELEANOR MORRISON GREEN,



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1 BELOVED MOTHER OF CRESIA GREEN DAVIS, BOARD MEMBER OF THE  
2 INGLEWOOD UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

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6 **SUP. BURKE:** THANK YOU. I'LL CALL UP ITEM NUMBER CS-4, WHICH A  
7 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAD HELD THAT ITEM. CANDIDATES FOR COUNTY  
8 COUNSEL.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** RIGHT AND MR. BAXTER? AND WHILE YOU'RE UP  
11 HERE ADDRESS -- PLEASE ADDRESS BOTH OF YOUR CLOSED SESSION  
12 ITEMS.

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14 **SUP. BURKE:** WHAT WAS THE OTHER ONE HE WAS HOLDING?

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALSO CS-1.

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18 **SUP. BURKE:** CS-1 AS WELL? I'M SORRY. I MISSED THAT.

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WELL BUT I'M JUST -- I'LL CALL HER LATER,  
21 OKAY.

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23 **PETER BAXTER:** EXCUSE ME, SIR, I'M NOT SURE EXACTLY WHAT YOU  
24 SAID.

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1   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WHILE YOU'RE HERE JUST ADDRESS YOUR -- YOU  
2   ALSO HELD CS-1 SO ADDRESS CS-1 AND CS --

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4   **PETER BAXTER:** NO, NO SIR, I HELD 12, FIRE DEPARTMENT.

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6   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. GO AHEAD THEN ON CS-4.

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8   **PETER BAXTER:** OKAY, SIR. MR. CHAIR, MEMBERS OF YOUR HONORABLE  
9   BOARD, MR. JANSSEN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MY NAME IS PETER  
10   BAXTER AND I LIVE IN LOS ANGELES. IT IS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED  
11   THAT THIS AGENDA ITEM IDENTIFIES A CLOSED SESSION TO CONSIDER  
12   THE APPOINTMENT OF THE CHIEF LEGAL ADVISOR FOR THE COUNTY, THE  
13   COUNTY COUNSEL. THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES READS  
14   VERY CLEARLY THAT WE HAVE A PARLIAMENTARY FORM OF GOVERNMENT,  
15   WHEREAS WE ARE TRYING TO MAKE A PRESIDENTIAL FORM OF  
16   GOVERNMENT OPERATE AS IF THAT FORM IS THE FORM SET FORTH IN  
17   THE CONSTITUTION. THE COUNTY COUNSEL OF THE COUNTY OF LOS  
18   ANGELES IS THE OFFICER WHO WOULD REASONABLY BE EXPECTED TO  
19   APPRAISE THAT QUESTION AND RESPOND WITH A DIRECT ANSWER  
20   SUPPORTED BY EVIDENCE TO SUPPORT HIS OR HER ANSWER OF WHICH IS  
21   RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN AND MAY I  
22   REMIND YOU THAT WHEN THE PREVIOUS COUNTY COUNSEL LEFT, I SPOKE  
23   AT THIS PARTICULAR TABLE AND SAID I WISH HE WOULD STAY UNTIL  
24   AFTER THE ELECTION, BECAUSE HE LEFT SEVERAL WEEKS BEFORE THE



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1 ELECTION, AND THIS IS A CRITICAL ISSUE. I THANK YOU, MR.  
2 PRESIDENT.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, THERE IS SOME ELSE WHO WAS HOLDING THAT.  
7 I'LL CALL UP ITEM NUMBER 18. WAS THERE ANYONE ELSE WHO WAS --

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** NO, BUT THERE WAS SOMEONE THAT HELD CS-1,  
10 IF YOU WANT TO CALL THAT ONE UP.

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12 **SUP. BURKE:** OH OKAY, CS-1.

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** GENEVIEVE. DON'T FORGET 12, WE'LL HAVE TO  
15 CALL HIM BACK.

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17 **GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.  
18 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I AM VERY CONCERNED OF WHAT HAPPENED JUST  
19 A MINUTE AGO, YOU KNOW. SUPERVISOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY MENTIONED A  
20 VIOLATION OF THE BROWN ACT, AND I WANT TO TELL YOU, YOU JUST  
21 VIOLATED THE BROWN ACT AGAIN, BECAUSE ON ITEM 6, ANYBODY  
22 READING ITEM 6 WILL HAVE NEVER KNOWN IT HAD TO DO WITH THE  
23 VIOLATION OF THE BROWN ACT, OF THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER. SO I  
24 SUGGEST THAT WHEN YOU WRITE ITEMS, THEY ARE SPECIFIC ENOUGH SO  
25 THE PUBLIC KNOW WHAT THEY REALLY ENTAIL. IT IS APPALLING THAT





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1 AFTER VIOLATING THE BROWN ACT REPEATINGLY, AND YOU HAVE BEEN  
2 FOUND GUILTY ON OCCASIONS, THAT YOU MADE THE DEAL WITH THE  
3 DISTRICT ATTORNEY TO ACCEPT TO DEAL WITH THE ISSUE UNDER ONE  
4 CONDITION, NOT TO GIVE THE DOCUMENTS ON WHICH YOU MADE YOUR  
5 DECISION. IT IS APPALLING. UP TO THIS DATE, YOU HAVE NOT CURE  
6 YOUR VIOLATION UNTIL WE GET OTHER DOCUMENT. AND FOR YOUR  
7 INFORMATION, PROPOSITION 59 PASSED, OVERWHELMINGLY, AND IT  
8 WILL BE NICE THAT YOU GIVE THE DOCUMENTATION SO THE PUBLIC CAN  
9 KNOW ON WHAT YOU MADE YOUR DECISION TO CLOSE THE TRAUMA  
10 CENTER. AND FOR YOU TO RESCIND YOUR DECISION ON YOUR VOTE IS A  
11 JOKE, BECAUSE PEOPLE KNOW THAT WHEN SOMEONE HAS MADE THEIR  
12 DECISION, IT'S ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO CHANGE THEIR MIND. AND ON  
13 TWO OCCASION, YOU MADE YOUR DECISION TO CLOSE THE TRAUMA  
14 CENTER. IT IS A TOTAL DISRESPECT OF THE PUBLIC. ARE WE HAVING  
15 A PRIVATE SIDE CONVERSATION HERE? IT'S OBVIOUS, AND I'M NOT  
16 TALKING FOR ALL THE SUPERVISORS, BUT FOR SOME MEMBER OF THE  
17 SUPERVISORS, THAT YOU HAVE A TRUE CONTEMPT OF THE PUBLIC, AND  
18 FOR THE JOB FOR WHICH YOU WERE ELECTED, AND MAYBE IT IS TIME  
19 TO CALL FOR A RECALL, AND I THINK SOME OF YOU DESERVE IT, AND  
20 I THINK IF WE HAVE TO DO THAT TO BE HEARD, AND NOT TO BE AT  
21 YOUR DISPOSAL, OF YOUR FANCY, WE WILL DO IT. [ SCATTERED  
22 APPLAUSE ]

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I WOULD JUST -- [ APPLAUSE ]

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1    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WOULD JUST LIKE TO POINT OUT WHAT ITEM  
2    NUMBER 6 SAYS IN THE AGENDA. IT SAYS EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE  
3    BOARD'S RECOMMENDATION, APPROVED MINUTES FOR THE SEPTEMBER  
4    2004 MEETINGS, MEETINGS, OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND  
5    SPECIAL DISTRICTS FOR WHICH THE BOARD IS THE GOVERNING BODY.  
6    THAT MEANS ALL OF THE MEETINGS WE HELD DURING THE MONTH OF  
7    SEPTEMBER, AND IT IS -- THIS WAS THE APPROPRIATE TIME TO MAKE  
8    SUCH AN AMENDMENT TO THE MINUTES. NOW IT IS -- I THINK THAT'S  
9    PRETTY CLEAR, AND I APOLOGIZE IF SOME PEOPLE DIDN'T READ THE  
10    AGENDA PARTICULARLY CLOSELY OR PERHAPS DIDN'T EXPECT THAT WE  
11    WOULD TAKE THE ACTION WE DID, BUT WE DID.

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13    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR BURKE, YOU WANTED TO CALL  
14    UP, WHAT, 18?

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16    **SUP. BURKE:** YES. I'LL CALL 18.

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18    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. OKAY. WE HAVE SOME MEMBERS OF THE  
19    PUBLIC THAT HAVE HELD THIS ITEM. GRACE CORSE, JOEL SOLIS,  
20    JEANETTE PETER, AND DIANA FAULK. OKAY. WHOEVER WOULD LIKE TO  
21    PROCEED, PROCEED, JUST GIVE US YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD.

22

23    **DIANA FAULK, RN:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DIANA FAULK, I'M A  
24    NURSE ANESTHETIST AT HARBOR-U.C.L.A. MEDICAL CENTER FOR 10  
25    YEARS. I'M HERE TODAY WITH MY SUPERVISOR, JEANETTE PETER, ALSO



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1 A NURSE ANESTHETIST AT HARBOR-U.C.L.A. FOR 25 YEARS. WE'RE  
2 HERE TODAY TO INFORM YOU OF A CRITICAL SHORTAGE OF FULL TIME  
3 NURSE ANESTHETISTS MANPOWER IN L.A. COUNTY. THE PRIMARY REASON  
4 FOR THIS SHORTAGE IS A DISCREPANCY IN COMPENSATION PAID BY THE  
5 COUNTY VERSUS THE OUTSIDE COMMUNITY. WE KNOW THAT THIS IS THE  
6 PRIMARY REASON BECAUSE, YEAR AFTER YEAR, WE TALK TO AND TRY TO  
7 RECRUIT NEW GRADUATE NURSE ANESTHETISTS FROM OUR COUNTY NURSE  
8 ANESTHESIA TRAINING PROGRAM, AND WHAT THEY TELL US IS THE  
9 SAME. THEY CHOOSE NOT TO HAVE A CAREER AT THE COUNTY BECAUSE  
10 THE COUNTY'S TOP SALARIES ARE AT OR BELOW STARTING SALARIES  
11 ELSEWHERE IN THE COMMUNITY. AND IT IS FRUSTRATING FOR US TO  
12 WATCH YEAR AFTER YEAR THESE GRADUATES THAT WE'VE WORKED SO  
13 HARD TO TRAIN AS COST EFFECTIVE PHYSICIAN SUBSTITUTES FOR THE  
14 COUNTY LEAVE OUR SYSTEM TO WORK ELSEWHERE BECAUSE WE CAN'T PAY  
15 THEM ENOUGH. IT'S ALSO FRUSTRATING FOR US BECAUSE THERE HAS  
16 BEEN A 50% ATTRITION RATE IN OUR PERMANENT STAFF THAT HAS  
17 DEVELOPED OVER THE LAST FOUR YEARS, MAKING WORKING CONDITIONS  
18 IN THE OPERATING ROOM INCREASINGLY STRESSFUL. THE PROPOSAL  
19 BEFORE YOU TODAY IS TO RAISE THE SALARIES OF TEMPORARY  
20 REGISTRY NURSE ANESTHETISTS BY 30 TO 37%, BECAUSE THE  
21 HOSPITALS ARE UNABLE TO HIRE ENOUGH FULLTIME STAFF. THIS  
22 AMOUNT REPRESENTS EXACTLY WHAT A FULL-TIME STAFF IS UNDERPAID  
23 BY COMMUNITY STANDARDS. THE CURRENT HOURLY WAGE FOR A REGISTRY  
24 TEMPORARY NURSE ANESTHETIST IS 85% ABOVE THAT OF A STAFF  
25 ANESTHETIST. IF WE WERE AT OR CLOSE TO COMMUNITY STANDARDS



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1 WITH OUR SALARIES AND WE COULDN'T STILL HIRE ENOUGH FULL-TIME  
2 STAFF, THEN IT WOULD MAKE SENSE TO TAKE THESE MEASURES TO  
3 RECRUIT TEMPORARY HELP, BUT THIS IS NOT THE CASE. THE FACT IS,  
4 IF FULL-TIME SALARIES WERE INCREASED IN THE RANGE OF 30%, THE  
5 NEED FOR TEMPORARY HELP WOULD BE NONEXISTENT.

6

7 **JEANETTE PETER, RN:** TEMPORARY HELP IS NOT THE QUICK-FIX SOME  
8 PEOPLE BELIEVE IT IS.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WOULD YOU IDENTIFY YOURSELF FOR THE RECORD  
11 PLEASE.

12

13 **JEANETTE PETER, RN:** JEANETTE PETER.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU JEANETTE.

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17 **JEANETTE PETER, RN:** OKAY, BASED ON MY EXPERIENCE WITH REGISTRY  
18 THE AMOUNT OF WORK HOURS REQUIRED TO CREDENTIAL ORIENT AND  
19 PROCTOR TEMPORARY STAFF IS EQUAL TO THAT FOR PERMANENT STAFF  
20 WITHOUT THE REWARD OF A DEDICATED EMPLOYEE. TEMPORARY HELP  
21 OFTEN WORK ONLY ONE OR TWO SHIFTS AND NEVER RETURN. THERE'S A  
22 REASON SOME PEOPLE CONSTANTLY MOVE FROM JOB TO JOB. NOT EVERY  
23 ANESTHETIST IS HARD WORKING, RELIABLE OR DRUG-FREE. OUR  
24 MESSAGE IS THAT THE USE OF REGISTRY TO FILL A SHORTAGE OF  
25 FULLTIME EMPLOYEES, AS CONVENIENT AS IT MAY SEEM SERVES TO



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1 ULTIMATELY CREATE MANY MORE PROBLEMS THAN IT SOLVES. IT SHOULD  
2 ALSO BE NOTED THAT THE NUMBERS IN THE PROPOSAL REGARDING THE  
3 FISCAL IMPACT OF TEMPORARY HELP AT THE HOSPITALS ARE EXTREMELY  
4 UNDERESTIMATED. FROM 1991 TO 2000, HARBOR-U.C.L.A. UTILIZED  
5 REGISTRY NURSE ANESTHETISTS FOR STAFFING, AND THEY EXCEEDED A  
6 BUDGET OF \$600,000 BY 200,000 TO 500,000 ANNUALLY

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8 **DIANA FAULK, RN:** SO, IN CLOSING, WE'D LIKE TO SAY THROUGH THE  
9 ONGOING CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS AND YOUR MANPOWER ADJUSTMENT  
10 MECHANISM, THE OPPORTUNITY TO SOLVE THIS PROBLEM OF A SHORTAGE  
11 EXISTS AT ITS SOURCE. BASICALLY WHAT WE'D LIKE TO SAY IS THAT  
12 IT IS OUR HOPE THAT YOU WILL CHOOSE NOT TO ELECT A SHORT-TERM  
13 VERY COSTLY SOLUTION WITH SALARY INCREASES FOR TEMPORARY NURSE  
14 ANESTHETISTS, BUT, RATHER TO STAFF YOUR ANESTHESIA DEPARTMENTS  
15 WITH FULL-TIME COMMITTED COUNTY NURSE ANESTHETISTS BY  
16 RECOGNIZING THE SALARY DISCREPANCY THAT HAS EVOLVED FOR THE  
17 FULLTIME STAFF, ALLOCATING FUNDS TO THIS END AND APPROVING A  
18 SALARY STRUCTURE WITH RETENTION FACTORS BUILT IN TO PREVENT  
19 THIS SHORTAGE FROM RECURRING. WE'RE CONFIDENT IF SALARIES ARE  
20 RAISED TO COMMUNITY STANDARDS, THAT WE CAN HIRE A FULL  
21 COMPLEMENT OF COUNTY NURSE ANESTHETISTS TO SERVE THE COUNTY  
22 HOSPITALS, AND FOR YOUR ATTENTION TO THIS MATTER, WE THANK YOU  
23 VERY MUCH.

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. OKAY. ARE THE OTHER TWO GOING TO  
2    SPEAK?

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4    **JOEL SOLIS, RN:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JOEL SOLIS, I'M A  
5    REGISTERED NURSE L.A. COUNTY U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER. WHILE  
6    WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THE SUBJECT OF REGISTRY NURSES OR  
7    TRAVELING NURSES, THIS IS PRETTY MUCH RAMPANT LATELY ALL OVER  
8    THE COUNTY HOSPITALS. BUT WHILE THE USE OF REGISTRY OR  
9    TRAVELING NURSES BRINGS FORTH A MUCH NEEDED RELIEF TO A  
10   DANGEROUSLY LOW STAFFING PROBLEM, IT SETS UP FOR DANGEROUS  
11   SITUATIONS FOR PATIENTS FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS. FIRST,  
12   THEY'RE UNFAMILIAR, REALLY, WITH OUR SYSTEM, ESPECIALLY IF  
13   THEY'RE GIVEN A WEEK OR LESS OF ORIENTATION TO FAMILIARIZE  
14   THEMSELVES WITH THE WHOLE SYSTEM. NUMBER TWO, IT BRINGS  
15   BACKGROUND INVESTIGATIONS ARE NOT FULLY CHECKED IN SOME OF THE  
16   -- SOME CASES. IN ADDITION, THERE'S REALLY NO REAL COMMITMENT  
17   OF THESE TEMPORARY EMPLOYEES IN PROVIDING THE BEST POSSIBLE  
18   CARE FOR OUR PATIENTS. ALSO, TRAVELING NURSES UNDERMINE THE  
19   CONTINUITY OF CARE FOR OUR PATIENTS. SO WITH THIS MOTION, THE  
20   MESSAGE FROM THIS BOARD SENDS A VERY LOUD AND CLEAR MESSAGE TO  
21   THE 5,000 HARD-WORKING NURSES AND OUR PATIENTS, AND THAT IS  
22   THAT YOU'RE NOT WORTH THE INVESTMENT FOR OUR PERMANENT  
23   SOLUTION. LIKE MY COLLEAGUE SAID BEFORE, THIS IS A COSTLY  
24   SHORT-TERM FIX TO A PROBLEM THAT NEEDS A PERMANENT SOLUTION.  
25   GRACE?





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2 **GRACE CORSE, RN:** MY NAME IS GRACE CORSE, I'M A REGISTERED  
3 NURSE FROM L.A. COUNTY U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER AND THE  
4 HEALTHCARE WORK FORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM. I'M THE CHAIR OF  
5 THE BARGAINING TABLE, AND I WOULD LIKE YOU TO KNOW THAT ALL OF  
6 THE NURSES IN L.A. COUNTY, FROM THE BARGAINING TABLE AND ALL  
7 5,000 NURSES SUPPORT OUR C.R.N.A.'S. THIS IS A SPECIAL GROUP  
8 OF NURSES WHOSE COMPENSATION IS EVEN FURTHER REMOVED FROM THE  
9 COMMUNITY STANDARD THAN THE COMPENSATION OF ALL THE REST OF  
10 THE NURSES IN L.A. COUNTY. WE URGE YOU TO USE THE MANPOWER  
11 SHORTAGE TO THE FULLEST EXTENT FOR THE C.R.N.A.'S IMMEDIATELY  
12 AND FOR THE REST OF YOUR COUNTY NURSES.

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

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16 **GRACE CORSE, RN:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MR. JANSSEN, DO YOU WANT TO RESPOND, OR?

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20 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. THEY RAISED A COUPLE  
21 OF DIFFERENT AREAS. ONE HAS TO DO WITH THE TRAVELING NURSES,  
22 AND I THINK THAT'S AN ISSUE THE DEPARTMENT CAN TALK ABOUT.  
23 WITH RESPECT TO BARGAINING, HOWEVER, AND THAT'S REALLY WHAT A  
24 LARGE PART OF THIS IS ABOUT, I THINK, WE'RE IN MEDIATION WITH  
25 THE NURSES NOW, WE GAVE THEM A LAST, BEST, AND FINAL OFFER. IT



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1 INCLUDES A IMMEDIATE 4% MANPOWER SHORTAGE ADJUSTMENT, 2-1/2%  
2 GENERAL SALARY MOVEMENT JANUARY 1ST OF '05, 2-1/2% GENERAL  
3 SALARY MOVEMENT JANUARY 1ST OF '06, A 2% STEP INCREASE FOR  
4 NURSES WHO'VE WORKED 10 YEARS EFFECTIVE JULY 1, '05. 2% STEP  
5 INCREASE FOR 15-YEAR EMPLOYEES, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1ST '06, A  
6 10% BONUS FOR WORKING AT M.L.K., \$131 A MONTH EVENING SHIFT  
7 DIFFERENTIAL INCREASE, \$176 A MONTH NIGHT SHIFT DIFFERENTIAL  
8 INCREASE, AND WE HAVE REACHED AGREEMENT ON A NEW  
9 CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM. WE DON'T BARGAIN IN PUBLIC, WE DON'T  
10 NEGOTIATE IN PUBLIC, WE DO NOT ATTEMPT TO INFLUENCE THE UNION  
11 OR THE NURSES, BUT WE DO, UNDER THE LAW, HAVE A RIGHT TO  
12 SIMPLY STATE WHAT OUR LAST, BEST, AND FINAL OFFER IS, AND  
13 THAT'S WHAT I JUST DID. WE THINK IT IS A VERY GOOD OFFER FOR  
14 THE NURSES AND WE'RE STILL IN THE PROCESS.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY, HOW MUCH IS THE OFFER IN TERMS OF  
17 DOLLARS IN ADDITION TO OVER AND ABOVE WHAT THE CURRENT PACKAGE  
18 IS?

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20 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THE ESTIMATED COST OF THE PACKAGE IS RIGHT  
21 AROUND \$50 MILLION.

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** TOTAL COST OF THE PACKAGE IS \$50 MILLION.

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25 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** CORRECT, FOR THE THREE-YEAR PERIOD.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THAT 50 MILLION ADDED?

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4 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YES.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THE ITEM'S BEFORE US, THEN, SUPERVISOR  
7 BURKE.

8

9 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT. I'D LIKE TO CALL UP ITEM NUMBER 12.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** DO YOU WANT TO --

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** OH, YES, I MOVE IT.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED  
16 BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. CALL  
17 UP ITEM 12?

18

19 **SUP. BURKE:** YES.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MR. BAXTER? GO AHEAD, MR. BAXTER.

22

23 **PETER BAXTER:** MR. PRESIDENT -- MR. CHAIR, MEMBERS OF YOUR  
24 HONORABLE BOARD, MR. JANSSEN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MY NAME IS  
25 PETER BAXTER AND I LIVE IN LOS ANGELES. IT IS RESPECTFULLY



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1 SUBMITTED THAT THIS AGENDA ITEM COVERS THE COST OF A STRESS  
2 MANAGEMENT PROGRAM FOR FIRE FIGHTERS. THE PROBLEM OF STRESS IN  
3 FIRE FIGHTERS WOULD BE GREATLY ALLEVIATED IF THERE WAS A  
4 METHOD OF FIGHTING FIRE THAT WAS SUCCESSFUL. INTRODUCING STEAM  
5 TO A BURNING BUILDING WOULD PUT FIRE OUT IMMEDIATELY. STEAM  
6 DENIES THE ENTRY OF OXYGEN TO THE SITE OF THE FIRE. STEAM CAN  
7 BE DIRECTED TO A FIRE SITE IN A HIGH-RISE WITHIN THE TIME IT  
8 TAKES FOR A HELICOPTER TO REACH THE FIRE SITE. CLIMBING EVERY  
9 STEP OF THE WAY TO A FIRE IN A HIGH-RISE, EVEN IF IT'S ONLY A  
10 30-FLOOR HIGH-RISE LIKE THEY HAVE HERE, IS NEXT TO BEING  
11 SUICIDAL, BUT THAT IS THE WAY FIRE MANAGEMENT CONTENTS WITH  
12 SUCH HIGH-RISE FIRES, ALL OF WHICH IS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,  
13 AND I THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. BAXTER.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE:** I'LL MOVE IT.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BURKE MOVES IT. CHAIR WILL  
20 SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE:** ITEM 21.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ITEM 21, IT'S BEING HELD FOR A MEMBER OF  
25 THE PUBLIC. [ INDISTINCT VOICES ]



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. OKAY, AND WE'LL GET SUPERVISOR  
3 MOLINA'S STAFF TO LET HER KNOW THAT THE ITEM THAT SHE HAD SOME  
4 QUESTIONS ON, LORNE LILIENTHAL?

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6 **LORNE D. LILIENTHAL, ESQ.:** YES.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD, SIR.

9

10 **LORNE D. LILIENTHAL, ESQ.:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING TO THE  
11 HONORABLE BOARD. LORNE LILIENTHAL APPEARING ON BEHALF OF  
12 ALLIED BUILDING MAINTENANCE. WE RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT ANY  
13 DECISION FOR TERMINATION BE DEFERRED UNTIL THE ADMINISTRATIVE  
14 REMEDIES HAVE BEEN EXHAUSTED, OR ON THE ALTERNATIVE, TO DENY  
15 THE REQUEST. FIRST WITH REGARD TO THE DEFERMENT. IN A  
16 CONTRACTUAL DISPUTE, WHICH IS THIS IS, EACH OF THE COUNTY  
17 DEPARTMENTS IS REQUIRED LEGALLY AS WELL AS CONTRACTUALLY TO  
18 FIRST EXHAUST ITS ADMINISTRATIVE REMEDIES, SPECIFICALLY THE  
19 LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE AS WELL AS THE SPECIFIC TERMS OF THE  
20 CONTRACT REQUIRE EACH DEPARTMENT TO MEET AND TRY TO RESOLVE  
21 THESE DISPUTES IN GOOD FAITH PRIOR TO SEEKING A DETERMINATION  
22 OF A TERMINATION. ONLY IN THE EVENT THAT THERE'S NO RESOLUTION  
23 TO THE DISPUTE CAN A TERMINATION BE SOUGHT. IN THIS PARTICULAR  
24 CASE, THERE'S ABSOLUTELY NO DISPUTE THAT THERE WAS ANY ATTEMPT  
25 TO RESOLVE THIS MATTER. WITH REGARD TO THE DENIAL OF THE



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1 REQUEST, IT'S IMPORTANT TO EMPHASIZE THAT THE MOVING PARTY IS  
2 THE COUNTY AUDITOR, IS NOT THE SPECIFIC COUNTY DEPARTMENTS  
3 WHICH ARE SEEKING THE -- OR PREPARED ANY FINDINGS WITH REGARD  
4 TO THE PURPORTED VIOLATIONS. THE REPORT THAT WAS PREPARED BY  
5 THE AUDITOR FOUND, OUT OF 10 ALLEGED VIOLATIONS, THERE WERE  
6 ONLY THREE THAT WERE ALLEGEDLY SUBSTANTIATED, BUT IF YOU WERE  
7 TO ASK EACH OF THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS WHETHER OR NOT THEY HAD  
8 ANY COMPLAINTS WITH REGARD TO PERFORMANCE OF THE PARTICULAR  
9 CONTRACTS, YOU WOULD FIND THAT THEY HAD NO CRITICISMS. IN  
10 FACT, I RECENTLY SPOKE JUST A FEW DAYS AGO WITH LINDA ESTRADA,  
11 WHO IS THE DISTRICT DIVISION MANAGER OVER AT THE I.S.D., WHICH  
12 IS THE DEPARTMENT WHICH IS SPEARHEADING THIS PARTICULAR ISSUE.  
13 SHE TOLD ME SPECIFICALLY THAT SHE HAD ABSOLUTELY NO COMPLAINTS  
14 WITH REGARD TO THE PERFORMANCE AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE  
15 CONTRACTS AND THAT THEY WERE COMPLETELY SATISFIED. IN FACT, IF  
16 YOU WERE TO LOOK AT THE EVIDENCE, YOU'D FIND THAT THERE WAS  
17 COMPLETE COMPLIANCE. THERE ARE MONTHLY PERFORMANCE SUMMARY  
18 REPORTS WHICH ARE REQUIRED TO BE PREPARED. THE I.S.D., OVER  
19 THE LAST SIX OR SEVEN MONTHS, HAS CONSISTENTLY FOUND THAT  
20 ADVANCED HAS BEEN IN COMPLETE COMPLIANCE. I RECENTLY SUBMITTED  
21 TO THE BOARD A SUMMARY SHOWING THAT THERE WAS COMPLETE  
22 COMPLIANCE AS WELL AS A SAMPLE FORM, ESPECIALLY WITH REGARD TO  
23 THE ISSUE OF PAYMENT UNDER THE LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE AND  
24 PAYMENT OF THE PARTICULAR RATES AS REQUIRED UNDER THE  
25 CONTRACT. ADDITIONALLY, TERMINATION IS NOT WARRANTED PURSUANT





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1 TO THE AUDITOR'S REPORT, YOU MUST HAVE THREE THINGS IN ORDER  
2 TO PURSUE A TERMINATION. ONE IS THAT THE VIOLATIONS MUST NOT  
3 BE MATERIAL -- I MEAN, MUST BE MATERIAL. THE VIOLATIONS MUST  
4 BE INTENTIONAL, AND THAT THE VIOLATIONS MUST BE CONTINUING. IN  
5 THIS PARTICULAR CASE, THERE ARE TWO VIOLATIONS THAT ARE BEING  
6 FOCUSED ON BY THE AUDITOR: FAILURE TO PAY THE CORRECT RATE OF  
7 OVERTIME AS WELL AS TRAVEL TIME. AFTER A YEAR LONG  
8 INVESTIGATION, THE AUDITOR DETERMINED THAT FOR ONLY ABOUT A  
9 TWO-WEEK PERIOD, THERE WAS A FAILURE TO PAY THE OVERTIME RATE  
10 FOR A HANDFUL OF HOURS AS WELL AS FOR TRAVEL TIME. THIS  
11 AMOUNTS TO A DISPUTE OF APPROXIMATELY \$200. WITH ADVANCED  
12 ANNUAL PAYROLL FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES OF APPROXIMATELY \$530,000  
13 PER YEAR, THIS IS VERY MINIMAL. ALSO, GIVEN THE FACT THAT IT'S  
14 SUCH A SMALL AMOUNT, THERE'S ABSOLUTELY NO EVIDENCE THAT IT'S  
15 BEEN INTENTIONAL. GIVEN THE FACT THAT THIS WAS ONLY A TWO-WEEK  
16 SAMPLE STUDY THAT WAS TAKEN, THERE COULD BE ABSOLUTELY NO  
17 EVIDENCE THAT THIS WAS A CONTINUING VIOLATION. IN FACT, THE  
18 AUDITORS REPORT WAS ONLY PREPARED ON AUGUST 26TH, JUST A FEW  
19 MONTHS AGO. THERE'S BEEN ABSOLUTELY NO OPPORTUNITY ON  
20 ADVANCED'S PART TO RESPOND TO ANY OF THESE PURPORTED  
21 ALLEGATIONS. BECAUSE THERE'S BEEN NO -- ABSOLUTELY NO ATTEMPT  
22 TO RESOLVE THIS BY A GOOD FAITH RESOLUTION DISPUTE AS WELL AS  
23 THE FACT THAT THE AUDITOR'S REPORT DOES NOT SUBSTANTIATE  
24 TERMINATION, ADVANCED RESPECTFULLY REQUESTS THAT THE DECISION  
25 FOR TERMINATION BE DEFERRED UNTIL THESE ISSUES CAN BE BROUGHT



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1 TO THE TABLE AND RESOLVED, AND IN THE ALTERNATIVE, THAT THERE  
2 BE NO DETERMINATION BECAUSE THE AUDITOR'S REPORT DOES NOT  
3 SUBSTANTIATE IT.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY FIRST OF ALL, I'LL ASK STAFF TO  
6 RESPOND, ONE, TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS THAT IS EITHER  
7 COMPLETED OR DONE, OR WHATEVER, AND ANY OF THE OTHER ISSUES,  
8 AND I BELIEVE SUPERVISOR MOLINA HAS SOME QUESTIONS AS WELL,  
9 TOO.

10

11 **TYLER MCCAULEY:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR KNABE, AND MEMBERS OF THE  
12 BOARD, MY NAME IS TYLER MCCAULEY, AUDITOR CONTROLLER. I'D LIKE  
13 TO REFER TO A FEW OF THE COMMENTS THAT WERE MADE. THE ACTION  
14 BEFORE YOU THIS MORNING RELATES TO AN AUDIT THAT MY STAFF  
15 PERFORMED ON ADVANCED BUILDING MAINTENANCE AND IT RELATES TO  
16 THE FINDINGS THAT WERE REPORTED TO YOU ON AUGUST 26TH.  
17 ATTACHED TO THOSE FINDINGS ARE THE RESPONSE OF THE ADVANCED.  
18 IT DID NOT TAKE A YEAR LONG, THE ELAPSED TIME MAY HAVE BEEN A  
19 YEAR BECAUSE WE ARE PULLED OFF AND ON OFTEN, BUT THE AUDIT  
20 ITSELF ONLY TOOK SEVERAL WEEKS. ADVANCED, AT THE TIME OF THE  
21 CONTRACT -- AT THE AUDIT, HAD NINE CUSTODIAL CONTRACTS WITH  
22 FOUR DEPARTMENTS. FOUR OF THOSE WERE WITH LIBRARY, ONE WITH  
23 I.S.D., TWO WITH PUBLIC WORKS, AND TWO WITH PROBATION  
24 DEPARTMENT. 80% OF THE CONTRACT DOLLARS RELATED TO THE  
25 CONTRACTS FOR THE LIBRARY. LIBRARY IS NOT ON THE AGENDA TODAY



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1 AS THEIR CONTRACT EXPIRED, AND LIBRARY NO LONGER CONTRACTS  
2 WITH ADVANCED. THERE ARE TWO KEY ISSUES IN THE REPORT THAT  
3 RESULTED IN MY CONCLUSION THAT THE CONTRACTS WITH ADVANCED  
4 SHOULD BE TERMINATED. FIRST, ADVANCED DID NOT PROVIDE ALL THE  
5 SERVICES THAT WERE REQUIRED UNDER THE CONTRACT. THEY TOLD US  
6 THAT IF THEY HAD TO PROVIDE ALL THOSE SERVICES, THEY WOULD  
7 HAVE HAD TO HAVE BID A HIGHER AMOUNT. THEREFORE, IN MY  
8 OPINION, THEY BID DECEPTIVELY, AND BY NOT PROVIDING THE  
9 SERVICES REQUIRED UNDER THE CONTRACTS, THEY WERE PAID FOR  
10 SERVICES THEY DID NOT PROVIDE. OR, IN OTHER WORDS, THEY WERE  
11 OVERPAID. IN THEIR RESPONSE, WHICH IS ATTACHED TO THE AUDIT  
12 REPORT, THEY SAID THAT NO ONE TOLD THEM THAT THEY WERE NOT  
13 PROVIDING SATISFACTORY SERVICES. I DO NOT FIND THIS TO BE AN  
14 ACCEPTABLE EXCUSE, ALTHOUGH DEPARTMENTS ARE REQUIRED TO  
15 MONITOR CONTRACTS, CONTRACTORS HAVE THE ABSOLUTE DUTY TO  
16 PROVIDE ALL SERVICES THEY AGREE TO PROVIDE IN THE CONTRACT  
17 WHEN THEY SIGN IT, WHETHER OR NOT THE DEPARTMENT EXPRESSES  
18 CONCERNS ABOUT THOSE SERVICES, OR, IN OTHER WORDS, IT'S NOT A  
19 MATTER OF WHETHER OR NOT THEY GET CAUGHT NOT PROVIDING  
20 SERVICES, THEY ARE TO PROVIDE THOSE SERVICES THEY AGREED TO.  
21 SECONDLY, THE REASON ADVANCED DID NOT IN MANY CASES PAY COUNTY  
22 CONTRACT EMPLOYEES AN OVERTIME RATE WHERE THERE WAS A LIVING  
23 WAGE OR ANY OTHER RATE THEY WERE PAID STRAIGHT TIME, WHICH IS  
24 INSTEAD OF TIME AND A HALF, WHICH IS REQUIRED. ADVANCED TOLD  
25 US THAT THEIR COMPUTER WAS TO BLAME, BUT THIS WAS NOT THE



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1 CASE, BECAUSE THERE WERE A FEW CASES WHERE THE EMPLOYEES WERE  
2 PAID CORRECTLY. WE USED THE SAMPLE OF 10 EMPLOYEES AND WENT  
3 OVER A PERIOD OF THREE MONTHS, LOOKED AT VARIOUS TIMES THEY  
4 WERE PAID. THEY WERE A SPECIALTY CREW. WE HAD TO USE THAT 10  
5 EMPLOYEES BECAUSE THE OTHER TIMECARDS WERE NOT MAINTAINED AND  
6 WE COULD NOT TELL THE HOURS WORKED BY THE EMPLOYEES, THE IN-  
7 AND-OUT HOURS, THEY JUST NOTED EIGHT OR WHATEVER. THESE  
8 EMPLOYEES, BECAUSE THEY MOVED FROM LOCATION TO LOCATION, PUT  
9 THEIR TIME DOWN. ALL 10 CASES, WE FOUND, AS I INDICATED, THAT  
10 THEY DID NOT PAY, IN ALL 10 CASES, PAID OVERTIME LIKE THEY ARE  
11 SUPPOSED TO. AND IT WAS ON THAT BASIS, THOSE TWO BASES, THAT I  
12 DETERMINED THAT THE CONTRACT SHOULD NOT BE CONTINUED AND I  
13 BELIEVED AND I MADE THE RECOMMENDATION THAT THE COUNTY NO  
14 LONGER CONTRACT WITH THIS FIRM BECAUSE OF THE REASONS CITED.  
15 AND THEN I ISSUED THE REPORT AND WITH ME OF COURSE DAVE  
16 LAMBERTSON FROM I.S.D., AND I TURN IT OVER TO HIM, BECAUSE AT  
17 THIS POINT HE RECEIVED MY REPORT HE THEN BEGAN A SERIES OF  
18 ACTIONS THAT BRING US HERE TODAY.

19

20 **DAVID LAMBERTSON:** YES. I'M DAVID LAMBERTSON, I'M THE INTERIM  
21 DIRECTOR OF THE INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT. AS TYLER  
22 INDICATED, THE AUDIT REPORT WAS FOCUSED TOWARD FOUR  
23 DEPARTMENTS: PUBLIC WORKS, LIBRARY, THE INTERNAL SERVICES  
24 DEPARTMENT, AND PROBATION, ALL OF WHICH HAD CONTRACTS WITH  
25 ADVANCED AT THE TIME OF TYLER'S AUDIT. I VOLUNTEERED TO LEAD A



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1 WORK GROUP TO IMPLEMENT THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN TYLER'S REPORT,  
2 WHICH, AS HE'S INDICATED, WAS BASICALLY TO TERMINATE THE  
3 CONTRACT WITH ADVANCED, TO TRANSFER THE CONTRACTS AND TO  
4 INITIATE DEPARTMENT HEARINGS. A WORK GROUP WAS COMPRISED OF  
5 REPRESENTATIVES FROM EACH OF THOSE DEPARTMENTS AS WELL AS THE  
6 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER, THANK YOU, AS WELL AS THE AUDITOR-  
7 CONTROLLER AND COUNTY COUNSEL, TO MEET THE OBJECTIVE OF  
8 TERMINATION, THE COURSE OF ACTION DECIDED WAS TERMINATION FOR  
9 CONVENIENCE, WHICH THE CONTRACT SPECIFICALLY GIVES THE COUNTY  
10 RIGHT TO EXERCISE AT ITS CONVENIENCE, FOREVER WHATEVER REASON  
11 IT DEEMS NECESSARY, AND THAT'S WHY THE CLAUSE IS THERE. IT IS  
12 NOT TRUE THAT WE WERE REQUIRED TO FOLLOW A DEFAULT AND CURE  
13 PROCESS. WE COULD GO EITHER WAY. WE CHOSE TO GO THE  
14 CONVENIENCE ROUTE IN ORDER TO MEET THE OBJECTIVE OF  
15 TERMINATING THE CONTRACT.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

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19 **SUP. MOLINA:** WE HAD REQUESTED THIS AUDIT, AND I WANT TO  
20 UNDERSTAND CLEARLY, SO THE VIOLATIONS OF THIS CONTRACT ARE NOT  
21 NECESSARILY ALL LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS. IS THAT  
22 CORRECT?

23

24 **TYLER MCCAULEY:** THAT'S CORRECT, ESPECIALLY THE ONES NOT  
25 PROVIDING SERVICES.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. SO, BUT THERE ARE SOME LIVING WAGE  
3 ISSUES?

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5 **TYLER MCCAULEY:** THAT'S CORRECT.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. I WOULD LIKE, FIRST OF ALL, JUST TO  
8 SAY TO THE CONTRACTOR, AGAIN, YOUR CONTRACT IS NOT MADE WITH  
9 ONE INDIVIDUAL AND ONE DEPARTMENT; YOUR CONTRACT IS MADE WITH  
10 THIS BOARD AND A RESPONSIBILITY TO COUNTY RESIDENTS, SO THAT  
11 IS THE REALITY OF IT. AND IF A CONTRACT SAYS YOU PROVIDE THOSE  
12 SERVICES, THOSE ARE THE SERVICES YOU PROVIDE. AND IF YOU HAVE  
13 A PROBLEM IN PROVIDING THOSE SERVICES, YOU SHOULD QUESTION IT  
14 BEFORE YOU SIGN THE CONTRACT AND BEFORE WE PAY YOU. YOU CAN'T  
15 COME AFTER THE FACT AND SAID, "WE SHOULD HAVE BEEN PAID MORE  
16 IF WE WERE SUPPOSED TO DO THESE THINGS." SO THAT DOESN'T HOLD  
17 ANY WATER. SO I MOVE THAT WE MOVE FORWARD ON THESE  
18 TERMINATIONS. I WOULD LIKE TO ADD IN ADDITION THAT I THINK WE  
19 NEED A BETTER PROCESS TO REVIEW THE LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE AND  
20 THE MONITORING OF THESE CONTRACTS. THAT, I THINK, IS AN  
21 UNDERLYING PROBLEM ON IT. WE SHOULDN'T HAVE TO WAIT AND GO  
22 THROUGH A VERY EXTENSIVE AUDIT PROCESS TO CATCH SOME OF THE  
23 PROBLEMS THAT ARE ON HERE. SO I KNOW YOU SAID YOU WERE PART OF  
24 A WORK GROUP, BUT I REALLY DO THINK THAT THAT IS SOMETHING  
25 THAT YOU NEED TO PROBABLY START ADVANCING ON ALL OF THE





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1 CONTRACTS, NOT JUST ON THESE RECOMMENDATIONS, BUT LOOK AT HOW  
2 IT'S BEING MONITORED IN THESE DEPARTMENTS, AND --

3

4 **DAVID LAMBERTSON:** YES, SUPERVISOR, WE'VE ALREADY GENERATED A  
5 LIST OF IDEAS TO MAKE SOME OF THE ENHANCEMENTS FROM WHAT WE  
6 LEARNED ON THIS ONE, INCLUDING, WHICH I THINK IS A GOOD IDEA,  
7 IN THE ACTUAL BID AND EVALUATION PROCESS, ASSIGNING POINTS OR  
8 A RATING CATEGORY FOR A DEMONSTRATED ABILITY TO APPLY WITH  
9 WAGE REQUIREMENTS, INCLUDING LIVING WAGE, INCLUDING SITE  
10 VISITS, SO THAT THERE'S A SENSE OF PREVENTION THAT YOU'RE  
11 CONTRACTING WITH PEOPLE THAT HAVE THE ABILITY.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** ABSOLUTELY, BECAUSE I HEARD THAT THEY HAD REALLY  
14 SLOPPY BOOKKEEPING RECORDS WHEN IT CAME TO EMPLOYEE RECORDS,  
15 SO HOW COULD WE EVEN MONITOR EFFECTIVELY OUR LIVING WAGE  
16 ORDINANCE IF THEY DON'T EVEN KEEP EFFECTIVE RECORDS, AND  
17 THAT'S A DUTY THAT THEY HAVE TO US AS WELL.

18

19 **TYLER MCCAULEY:** AND A STATE DUTY THAT THEY KEEP TIME CARDS, WE  
20 NEED TO BE VERY SPECIFIC SUPERVISOR MOLINA, EXACTLY IN OUR  
21 CONTRACTS WHAT WE WANT TO SEE ON THAT TIME CARD.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT, THEN MAYBE WE NEED TO MAKE THAT A  
24 SPECIFIC PART, BUT I AM HOPING THAT THAT IS SOMETHING WE'RE  
25 GOING TO CORRECT AND I'D APPRECIATE IT IF YOU SHARE WITH MY



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1 STAFF 'CAUSE WE'RE INTERESTED, AND IT DOESN'T DO US A BIT OF  
2 GOOD TO HAVE A LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE WHEN WE'RE MANDATING  
3 CONTRACTORS AND TRYING TO TREAT, MAKE SURE THAT EMPLOYEES ARE  
4 APPROPRIATELY TREATED WHEN WE CAN'T, AT THE END OF THE DAY,  
5 EVALUATE WHETHER, IN FACT, THESE RECORDS ARE MAINTAINED AND  
6 WHO'S RESPONSIBLE FOR MONITORING THOSE RECORDS, AND HOW THEY  
7 ARE MONITORED. I DON'T THINK THAT TYLER HAS THE ABILITY TO GO  
8 IN AND AUDIT ALL OF THESE, AND IT WOULD JUST BE IMPOSSIBLE,  
9 BUT REALLY, WE HAVE TO RELY ON, I GUESS IT'S THE OFFICE OF  
10 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION, RIGHT?

11

12 **TYLER MCCAULEY:** THEY DO A LOT, AND WE NEED TO RELY ON OUR  
13 DEPARTMENTS AND GIVE THEM TOOLS TO MAKE SURE AT THE END OF THE  
14 DAY THAT THEY VERIFY WHAT WAS DONE.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND. BUT AT THE SAME TIME, IF -- WE NEED  
17 TO FIND ONE MECHANISM AS TO HOW THAT IS DONE, AND IF IT,  
18 INCLUDING THE ON SITE INSPECTIONS, BECAUSE, AGAIN, THEY CAN  
19 GET COMFORTABLE WITH THE IDEA THAT, YOU KNOW, OH THEY DIDN'T  
20 TELL US TO DO THAT, NOW WE DON'T HAVE TO DO THAT, AND THEY  
21 START CHANGING THAT AS BEING PART OF THE PROGRAM. THEY HAVE TO  
22 HONOR THEIR CONTRACT. SO I MOVE THAT WE MOVE FORWARD WITH  
23 THESE RECOMMENDATIONS AND THAT WE CREATE A PROCESS THAT'S  
24 GOING TO BE MORE EFFECTIVE AS FAR AS MONITORING OUR WAGE --  
25 LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE CONTRACTS.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THE OTHER QUESTION THAT I HAD, I KNOW IT  
3 WAS TOTALLY ANSWERED, I UNDERSTAND THE AUDIT PART, BUT WAS THE  
4 ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS OF THAT THAT HAS RUN ITS COURSE? IS  
5 THAT CORRECT?

6

7 **TYLER MCCAULEY:** IN MY SENSE IT HAS, SUPERVISOR.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY, ALL RIGHT.

10

11 **LORNE D. LILIENTHAL, ESQ.:** MAY I RESPOND?

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** JUST QUICKLY. WE'RE NOT NEGOTIATING  
14 PUBLICLY IN A SITUATION LIKE THIS.

15

16 **LORNE D. LILIENTHAL, ESQ.:** WITH REGARD TO THE FAILURE TO  
17 PERFORM SERVICES, THAT WAS ONLY WITH REGARD TO THE LIBRARY  
18 CONTRACT, WHICH IS NO LONGER AT ISSUE BECAUSE THAT CONTRACT  
19 HAS EXPIRED AND HAS NOT BEEN RENEWED. ADDITIONALLY, JUST TO  
20 QUALM ANY TYPE OF CONCERNS ON THAT, THERE WAS A CUSTOM IN  
21 DEALING WITH REGARD TO PERFORMANCE UNDER THE CONTRACT. IF THE  
22 LIBRARY HAD ANY CONCERNS WITH REGARD TO ITS TASKS NOT BEING  
23 PERFORMED, THEY WOULD NORMALLY PROCEDURALLY GO AHEAD AND FIRE  
24 OFF A NOTICE TO TAKE CORRECTIVE ACTION. AND ALL THE CONTRACTS,  
25 ANY TIME THAT ADVANCED WAS GIVEN SUCH A NOTICE, THEY WOULD



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1 ALWAYS COMPLY. SO THERE'S GOT TO BE SOME SORT OF NOTICE AND  
2 OPPORTUNITY HERE. SUPERVISOR MOLINA, SHE SETS UP A VERY GOOD  
3 POINT WITH REGARD TO WELL YOU TAKE THE CONTRACT AS IT IS, BUT  
4 IN THIS PARTICULAR CASE, THE LIBRARY HAD NO OBJECTIONS THEY  
5 GAVE THEM NO NOTICE WHATSOEVER THAT THERE WAS ANY PROBLEM  
6 WHATSOEVER. WITH REGARD TO THE LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE, AGAIN,  
7 THAT'S SOMETHING THAT APPEARS TO BE THE FOCUS OF WHAT THE  
8 AUDITOR IS LOOKING AT. AGAIN, IT'S IMPORTANT TO EMPHASIZE THAT  
9 WE'RE ONLY TALKING ABOUT A VERY SMALL SAMPLE, ABOUT A TWO-WEEK  
10 PERIOD. AGAIN, ONLY ABOUT 46 -- I THINK IT WAS 46 HOURS THAT  
11 WAS THE FAILURE TO PAY NOT ANY OVERTIME OR ANY TRAVEL TIME,  
12 BUT THE CORRECT RATE. THIS WAS A MISTAKE DUE TO A COMPUTER  
13 PROBLEM WHICH AN AUDITOR WAS ADVISED OF, THIS IS A CONTINUING  
14 DISPUTE WHICH HAS NOT BEEN RESOLVED. IN ADDITION, WITH THE  
15 FAILURE TO PAY THE CORRECT AMOUNT OF TRAVEL TIME, THE LIVING  
16 WAGE ORDINANCE SPECIFICALLY PROVIDES THAT YOU'RE NOT REQUIRED  
17 TO PAY THE LIVING WAGE RATE, THE COUNTY RATE, WHEN TRAVELING  
18 TO AND FROM COUNTY JOBS. IT'S ONLY WHEN YOU ARE WORKING WHILE  
19 AT A COUNTY JOB THAT YOU'RE REQUIRED TO PAY THE COUNTY RATE.  
20 THIS WAS ADVISED TO THE AUDITOR, THE AUDITOR HAS PROVIDED  
21 ABSOLUTELY NO POINTS AND AUTHORITIES OR LEGAL SUPPORT SHOWING  
22 THAT THIS IS NOT THE CASE.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. YES.

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1   **SUP. BURKE:** I'D JUST LIKE CLARIFICATION. I WOULD SUPPOSE THAT  
2   WHAT IT SAYS, WHEN YOU SAY NOT GOING TO AND FROM WORK IS HOME  
3   TO WORK OR SOMETHING, BUT IF ONCE YOU GET TO WORK AND THEN YOU  
4   GO AND PART OF YOUR JOB IS TO HAVE AND CLEAN THREE OFFICE  
5   BUILDINGS, THE TIME IT TAKES FOR YOU TO GO FROM ONE OFFICE  
6   BUILDING TO THE OTHER IS PART OF YOUR WORK, AND I WOULD ASSUME  
7   THAT THAT'S COVERED. WOULD YOU PLEASE CLARIFY THAT?

8

9   **RAY FORTNER, COUNSEL:** MR. CHAIRMAN, SUPERVISOR BURKE, I  
10   BELIEVE YOU HAVE CORRECTLY CHARACTERIZED WHAT THE ORDINANCE  
11   THAT YOU'VE ADOPTED MEANS ON THE TRAVEL TIME TO AND FROM WORK,  
12   BUT IF THE TRAVEL IS PART OF MOVING FROM ONE COUNTY FACILITY  
13   TO ANOTHER, IT IS REASONABLE TO ASSUME THAT THAT'S ALL PART OF  
14   A COUNTY SERVICE.

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16   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YEAH, THE OTHER CLARIFICATION, MR. FORTNER,  
17   IS SOMEBODY ANSWERED MY QUESTION, BECAUSE I SUPPORT SUPERVISOR  
18   MOLINA'S ACTION, BUT HAS THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS GONE  
19   THROUGH? I MEAN, IN OTHER WORDS, JUST FROM A LEGAL STANDPOINT,  
20   ARE WE DOING SOMETHING PREMATURE THAT HAS NOT GONE THROUGH AN  
21   ENTIRE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS? IS THERE APPEAL PROCESS OR, I  
22   MEAN, THAT'S THE QUESTION THAT I KEEP ASKING AND NO ONE WANTS  
23   TO ANSWER.

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1   **RAY FORTNER, COUNSEL:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,  
2   PERHAPS I CAN ADDRESS THAT. THE APPEAL PROCESS THAT'S REFERRED  
3   TO, THE ADMINISTRATIVE REMEDY, IS, FIRST OF ALL, NOT  
4   APPLICABLE IN A CONVENIENCE TERMINATION FOR ANY REASON. SO  
5   THERE CAN BE CIRCUMSTANCES THAT ARE DESCRIBED IN A BROCHURE  
6   THAT'S PUT OUT BY THE OFFICE OF AFFIRMATIVE ACTION COMPLIANCE  
7   WHERE WE TRY TO WORK WITH PEOPLE, BUT IN THIS CONVENIENCE  
8   TERMINATION IT IS NOT APPLICABLE.

9

10   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, THAT'S ALL I WANTED TO HEAR.  
11   OKAY, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR  
12   BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THANK YOU.

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14   **LORNE D. LILIENTHAL, ESQ.:** THANK YOU.

15

16   **SUP. BURKE:** THAT CONCLUDES ALL OF MY SPECIALS.

17

18   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, DO YOU HAVE  
19   ANY ADJOURNMENTS?

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21   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO, AND I DON'T HAVE ANY OTHER SPECIALS.

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23   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. FOR THE RECORD ON ITEM -- AGENDA ITEM  
24   NUMBER 22, THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS REQUESTED THAT ITEM  
25   TO BE RECONSIDERED AND CONTINUED ONE WEEK INSTEAD OF TWO





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1 WEEKS, SO THE CHAIR WOULD MOVE RECONSIDERATION. WITHOUT  
2 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THEN MOVE A ONE-WEEK CONTINUANCE VERSUS  
3 TWO.

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5 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** MR. CHAIR, ON ITEM NUMBER 7, I'D LIKE TO  
6 REQUEST A TWO-WEEK CONTINUANCE ON THAT. IT'S A CONTRACT  
7 BETWEEN FIRST 5 L.A. AND OUR OFFICE.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** HOW LONG?

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11 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** TWO WEEKS?

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13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. ITEM NUMBER 7 WILL BE IN  
14 TWO WEEKS. ANYTHING ELSE, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY? OKAY. I HAVE  
15 AN ADJOURNMENT, THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JOSE GONZALES.  
16 JOSE PASSED AWAY ON NOVEMBER 2ND IN JAPAN WHILE ON ACTIVE  
17 DUTY. JOSE WAS A FIRST CLASS PETTY OFFICER, AVIATION  
18 TECHNICIAN FIRST CLASS ON THE U.S.S. KITTY HAWK STATIONED IN  
19 YOKOSUKO, JAPAN. JOSE WAS ALSO A DEARLY LOVED ONE OF IVONNE  
20 EVELYN UMANA, WHO IS AN EMPLOYEE IN OUR COUNTY FAMILY IN THE  
21 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. IVONNE IS IN OUR  
22 THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS. JOSE WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED AND DEARLY  
23 MISSED BY FAMILY AND FRIENDS AND NUMEROUS PERSONS THAT HE HAD  
24 NEVER HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET. SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR  
25 ANTONOVICH.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FIRST, YESTERDAY, I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO

3 PARTICIPATE IN THE CHILD WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND

4 FAMILY SERVICES CONFERENCE AT THE BEVERLY HILTON WHERE WE HAD

5 PEOPLE FROM ALL OVER THE UNITED STATES INVOLVED IN THE

6 ADOPTION ISSUE. AND ONE OF THE ISSUES THAT WE HAD BEEN

7 PURSUING, THERE'S BEEN SOME GREAT SUCCESS, AND THAT'S THE

8 INITIATIVE THAT PRESIDENT BUSH SIGNED INTO LAW WHICH WAS THE

9 ADOPTION PROMOTION ACT OF 2003 WHICH GIVES EXTRA INCENTIVES TO

10 STATES TO INCREASE ADOPTIONS OF OLDER CHILDREN, AND WE'RE

11 FINDING THAT THAT IS HAVING A VERY POSITIVE IMPACT IN HAVING

12 THE OLDER CHILDREN BEING ADOPTED. BUT ONE OF THE NICE REMARKS

13 BY DR. DAVID SANDERS IS THIS PAST WEEK WE HAD AN ADOPTION

14 WEEK, AND THERE WAS A FAMILY OF NINE CHILDREN AND THERE

15 APPEARS TO BE A FAMILY THAT WILL BE ADOPTING ALL NINE CHILDREN

16 TO KEEP THE SIBLINGS INTACT. AND AGAIN, WE APPRECIATE DR.

17 SANDERS' LEADERSHIP THERE IN WORKING TO KEEP SIBLINGS TOGETHER

18 IN THESE FOSTER CARE ADOPTION PROCEDURES THAT WE GO THROUGH.

19 BUT IT WAS A VERY WELL ATTENDED EVENT AND, AGAIN, WE HAD

20 PEOPLE FROM THE EAST COAST AND ALL OVER THE UNITED STATES AT

21 THE PROGRAM. I WOULD LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY

22 TODAY OF JOHN EDWARD PARKER, WHO IS A RETIRED PARAMEDIC, THE

23 CITY OF LOS ANGELES, AND HE'S FROM THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY.

24 ROBERT MAY OF LA VERNE, WHO WAS A COUNTY EMPLOYEE WITH THE

25 DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION FOR THE LAST 28 YEARS, AND



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1 HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, MARIE, AND THEIR TWO SONS, JOHN AND  
2 JIM MAY. AND J. MARGARET BEGTRUP, WHO PASSED AWAY ON ALL  
3 SAINTS DAY ON NOVEMBER 1ST, AND SHE WAS A AVID MEMBER OF  
4 WOODLAND HILL'S WOMEN'S CLUB AND WEST VALLEY GARDEN CLUB AND  
5 PAST CHAIRMAN OF THE WEST VALLEY FOOD PANTRY. I WOULD LIKE TO  
6 MAKE THE FOLLOWING MOTION. IT HAS RECENTLY COME TO MY  
7 ATTENTION THAT THE C.A.O.'S RISK MANAGEMENT UNIT IS ACTIVELY  
8 ENGAGED IN PLANNING SOME PROPOSALS FOR SIGNIFICANT POLICY  
9 CHANGES. A PARTICULAR CONCERN IS THE DIRECT ATTEMPT BY THE  
10 C.A.O.'S RISK MANAGEMENT UNIT TO ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY OVER  
11 LIABILITY CLAIMS WHICH THE RISK MANAGER DEFINES AS BOTH CLAIMS  
12 AND LAWSUITS. THEY SPECIFICALLY SEEK CHANGING THE COUNTY  
13 CHARTER TO ASSUME THIS ROLE. INFORMATION PROVIDED AT A  
14 BRIEFING GIVEN TO STAFF FROM EACH BOARD OFFICE AND SUBSEQUENT  
15 INFORMATION DEVELOPED TO GAIN A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING OF THE  
16 ACTUAL PROPOSAL, THE BASIS FOR THE PROPOSAL RESULTED IN AN  
17 EVEN MORE AMBIGUOUS PICTURE WHICH NOW REQUIRES A MORE DEFINITE  
18 EXPLANATION WITH CLEAR AND UNEQUIVOCAL LANGUAGE. MOREOVER  
19 WHILE IT HAS BEEN REPRESENTED THAT THE PROPOSAL IS A  
20 COLLABORATIVE EFFORT BY THE AFFECTED PARTIES, SPECIFICALLY THE  
21 OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL, THE FACT IS THAT WITH THE  
22 POSITION OF COUNTY COUNSEL CURRENTLY UNFILLED, THE DISCUSSIONS  
23 OF SUCH A SIGNIFICANT UNDERTAKING REMAIN HIGHLY QUESTIONABLE  
24 OR AT THE VERY LEAST PREMATURE. ADDITIONALLY KEY MEMBERS OF  
25 THE COUNTY COUNSEL'S OFFICE HAVE BEEN LARGELY KEPT IN THE DARK



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1 WITH THE MINIMAL REGARD TO ANY AND ALL OF THE CONCERNS BY THE  
2 C.A.O.'S RISK MANAGEMENT UNIT. SO I'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE  
3 DIRECT THE C.A.O. TO PROVIDE A REPORT IN ONE WEEK WHICH  
4 PROVIDES A CLEAR AND CONCISE DESCRIPTION, STATUS AND BASIS FOR  
5 THE SUBJECT PROPOSAL BY THE RISK MANAGEMENT UNIT TO MODIFY THE  
6 COUNTY CHARTER AND ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY OVER CLAIMS AND  
7 LAWSUITS AND THAT THIS AND OTHER SIGNIFICANT POLICY ITEMS  
8 INVOLVING THE MANAGEMENT OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL'S OFFICE BE  
9 HELD IN ABEYANCE UNTIL SUCH TIME THAT THE PERMANENT COUNTY  
10 COUNSEL HAS BEEN APPOINTED SO HE OR SHE CAN BE INVOLVED IN  
11 THAT PROCESS. SO JUST ASKING A REPORT FROM THE C.A.O. FOR NEXT  
12 WEEK, AND I KNOW WE'LL BE MAKING AN APPOINTMENT OF THE COUNTY  
13 COUNSEL VERY SOON, IF NOT TODAY, SO THAT HE'S INVOLVED IN THE  
14 PROCESS AS WELL, BECAUSE IT IS HIS DEPARTMENT.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THIS IS FOR NEXT WEEK?

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO, JUST A REPORT BACK FOR NEXT WEEK.

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY.

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YEAH FOR TODAY, SO WE HAVE THE REPORT BACK  
23 NEXT WEEK.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THEN, ON ITEM NUMBER 40.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YES.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS ITEM HAS BEEN BEFORE US AND THIS IS THE  
7 THIRD REQUEST FOR A CONTINUANCE. IF I RECALL THIS GOES BACK TO  
8 NEARLY SIX MONTHS, JULY 6, AND I'M SURE WE'VE ALL RECEIVED  
9 HUNDREDS OF LETTERS AND E-MAILS REGARDING SUPPORT FOR THE  
10 ITEM. NOW THE SHERIFF IS REQUESTING ANOTHER TWO-MONTH  
11 POSTPONEMENT. AND I'D LIKE TO ASK THE SHERIFF'S STAFF, IF  
12 THEY'RE HERE, WHY IS THE SHERIFF CONTINUING THE ITEM TO  
13 JANUARY?

14

15 **CHUCK JACKSON:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISOR. CHUCK JACKSON, CHIEF  
16 OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DIVISION. IT WAS MY RESPONSIBILITY TO  
17 MOVE THIS ITEM FORWARD FROM ITS PREVIOUS CONTINUANCE OF 90  
18 DAYS AGO. IT WAS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT SHERIFF WAS PREPARED TO  
19 MOVE IT FORWARD TODAY. HOWEVER, THE SHERIFF HAS TAKEN A LOOK  
20 AT THE M.O.U., HE HAD SOME CONCERNS ABOUT THE LACK OF SPECIFIC  
21 LANGUAGE COVERING THE REMOVAL OF S.C.A.P. FUNDING FOR THE  
22 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND HAS ASKED COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE  
23 SOME SUPPLEMENTAL LANGUAGE TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE IMMIGRATION  
24 AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT FOR THEIR APPROVAL.

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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT DOESN'T THE VERSION OF THE M.O.U. INCLUDE  
2   A PROVISION FOR THE SHERIFF TO TERMINATE THIS M.O.U. AT ANY  
3   TIME AND FOR ANY REASON?

4

5   **CHUCK JACKSON:** WELL, I HAVE NO LEGAL TRAINING SIR, BUT IN MY  
6   OPINION, I THINK THE M.O.U. WOULD ALLOW US TO BACK OUT OF THE  
7   M.O.U. FOR CAUSE, BUT AT THE SAME TIME, I DON'T THINK IT WAS  
8   SENDING THE SPECIFIC MESSAGE THE SHERIFF WANTED TO CLEARLY  
9   STATE TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS THAT WE ARE DEPENDENT ON  
10   S.C.A.P. FUNDING AND HE WANTED THAT SPECIFIC INFORMATION IN  
11   THE M.O.U.

12

13   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT IS THE BENEFIT OF THE PROPOSED  
14   MODIFICATION IN THE M.O.U., AND IS IT REALLY NECESSARY?

15

16   **CHUCK JACKSON:** WELL, AGAIN, I BELIEVE IT'S STRICTLY A  
17   POLITICAL STATEMENT THE SHERIFF IS MAKING TO LET THE FEDERAL  
18   GOVERNMENT KNOW THAT WE RELY ON S.C.A.P. FUNDING TO HOUSE  
19   ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS IN OUR CUSTODY, AND HE WANTS TO MAKE IT  
20   CLEAR TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT THAT LACK OF FUNDING,  
21   APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR HOUSING THESE IMMIGRANTS, ILLEGAL  
22   IMMIGRANTS, RESULTS IN OUR NOT BEING A NON-PARTICIPANT IN  
23   THIS.

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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IF WE DON'T PARTICIPATE, THEN WE DON'T HAVE  
2   AN ACTUAL STATISTICAL NUMBER, WHICH WE WOULD USE FOR  
3   REIMBURSEMENT, SO IF YOU'RE GOING TO GET REIMBURSEMENT YOU  
4   NEED TO HAVE FULL DOCUMENTATION, WHICH THIS WOULD PROVIDE, SO  
5   IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THE SHERIFF IS NOT NECESSARILY CORRECT IN  
6   THAT ASSUMPTION. ARE THERE ANY OTHER OUTSTANDING MATTERS WHICH  
7   ARE CONTRIBUTING TO THE DELAY AND WILL THOSE BE RESOLVED BY  
8   JANUARY, AND IF SO, HOW?

9

10   **CHUCK JACKSON:** I'M NOT AWARE OF ANY OTHER OUTSTANDING MATTERS,  
11   SUPERVISOR.

12

13   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WOULD WE HAVE THE AUTHORITY TODAY TO PUT IN A  
14   -- TO RESTATE WHAT'S IN THE CONTRACT THAT WE CAN WITHDRAW AT  
15   ANY TIME, OR?

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17   **CHUCK JACKSON:** I DON'T KNOW THAT I COULD ANSWER THAT QUESTION,  
18   SIR.

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20   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. FORTNER?

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22   **RAY FORTNER, COUNSEL:** MR. CHAIRMAN, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, IF  
23   THE QUESTION IS WITH REGARD TO THE BOARD'S RIGHT TO  
24   TERMINATION, THAT IS IN THE DRAFT THAT IS BEFORE THE BOARD  
25   NOW.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL, OKAY, I MEAN CAN WE REPORT BACK TO THE  
3 SHERIFF THAT IT'S ALREADY IN THE GRANT, AND IF HE WANTS TO  
4 CONTINUE IT TO JANUARY, BUT IF, OR SOONER WOULD BE MY --

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6 **RAY FORTNER, COUNSEL:** MY STAFF IS CURRENTLY WORKING WITH THE  
7 SHERIFF AND WE CAN HAVE THIS RESOLVED, I'M CERTAIN, IN A SHORT  
8 ORDER.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** I MEAN BECAUSE A LOT OF THESE QUESTIONS ARE  
11 THE SAME QUESTION, BUT I MEAN IF WE CAN OBVIOUSLY EXPEDITE IT  
12 AND BRING IT BACK BEFORE JANUARY, IT COULD BE A BENEFIT TO US  
13 ALL. I MEAN AT SOME POINT WE NEED, YOU KNOW, THAT M.O.U.

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15 **RAY FORTNER, COUNSEL:** IT IS THE SHERIFF'S RECOMMENDATION THAT  
16 AT -- AS TO WHEN IT COMES BACK, BUT WE WILL TAKE CARE OF THE  
17 LEGAL WORK.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHY DON'T WE JUST SAY IF TO CONTINUE IT TO  
22 JANUARY, OR IF IT CAN BE RESOLVED SOONER, BRING IT BACK BEFORE  
23 THE BOARD.

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1   **SUP. MOLINA:** I DON'T UNDERSTAND. WHAT'S GOING ON? COULD YOU  
2   CLARIFY FOR ME, WHAT'S THE ACTION BEFORE US?

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4   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THE SHERIFF HAS REQUESTED A CONTINUANCE OF  
5   THIS ITEM UNTIL JANUARY.

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7   **SUP. MOLINA:** RIGHT, AND SO WHAT IS IT YOU'RE ASKING FOR  
8   MICHAEL?

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10   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** JUST WHAT WE SAID, IN THIS PAST DIALOGUE  
11   WE'VE HAD WITH THE SHERIFF.

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13   **SUP. MOLINA:** WHICH IS WHAT?

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15   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE INFORMATION, WELL AS THE SHERIFF AND THE  
16   COUNTY COUNSEL ARTICULATED, THERE ARE ALREADY PROVISIONS IN  
17   THE CONTRACT TO CANCEL IT AT ANY TIME, SO THE POINT IS --

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19   **SUP. MOLINA:** CANCEL WHAT?

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21   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** CANCEL THE M.O.U.

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23   **SUP. MOLINA:** AND OUR M.O.U. RIGHT NOW IS YOU'RE TRYING TO  
24   CHANGE SOMETHING IN THE M.O.U.

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1   **CHUCK JACKSON:** YES, SUPERVISOR. THE SHERIFF WANTED TO AND  
2   PLACE SOME LANGUAGE IN THE PROPOSED M.O.U. WHICH WOULD REFLECT  
3   THAT LACK OF S.C.A.P. FUNDING FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES,  
4   THAT THE SHERIFF WOULD CANCEL THE M.O.U. AND BE A NON-  
5   PARTICIPANT.

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7   **SUP. MOLINA:** AND WHAT WOULD THAT MEAN?

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9   **CHUCK JACKSON:** IF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT CHOSE NOT TO PROVIDE  
10   US S.C.A.P. FUNDING FOR THOSE ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS IN OUR  
11   CUSTODY, THE SHERIFF WOULD WITHDRAW FROM THE M.O.U. AND CEASE  
12   PERFORMING THOSE FUNCTIONS.

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14   **SUP. MOLINA:** AND SO NOW WE WOULD NOT HOLD THOSE INDIVIDUALS?

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16   **CHUCK JACKSON:** THAT'S A POSSIBILITY ALSO, YES, MA'AM.

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18   **SUP. MOLINA:** AND SO WHAT WOULD THAT MEAN? IF A PERSON WAS  
19   ARRESTED AND CONVICTED --

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21   **CHUCK JACKSON:** THEY WOULD BE HELD FOR THEIR LOCAL CHARGE OR  
22   THE LOCAL CONVICTION, WHETHER THEY WERE SENTENCED TO COUNTY  
23   JAIL, BUT AT CONCLUSION OF THEIR COUNTY JAIL TIME, THEY WOULD  
24   BE RELEASED FROM THE CUSTODY OF THE SHERIFF.

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1   **SUP. MOLINA:** THEN LET ME UNDERSTAND THAT. WHAT YOU'RE  
2   PROPOSING IS THAT IF AN UN-DOCUMENTED, AN ILLEGAL IS ARRESTED  
3   AND CONVICTED AND IS SERVING IN COUNTY JAILS, HE'S SENT TO  
4   SERVE THERE.

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6   **CHUCK JACKSON:** THERE'S STILL INTENT TO SERVE THEIR COUNTY  
7   TIME, YES MA'AM.

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9   **SUP. MOLINA:** THEN BUT AFTERWARDS YOU'RE GOING TO RELEASE THEM.

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11   **CHUCK JACKSON:** YES, MA'AM.

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13   **SUP. MOLINA:** WHAT DO YOU DO NOW?

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15   **CHUCK JACKSON:** IF THEY'RE INTERVIEWED AND THEY HAVE A  
16   IMMIGRATION CUSTOMS DETAINER THEY'RE HELD PENDING TRANSFER TO  
17   THE CUSTODY OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

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19   **SUP. MOLINA:** AND RIGHT NOW, THOSE ARE THE FOLKS THAT YOU'RE  
20   HOLDING?

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22   **CHUCK JACKSON:** WE HAVE SOME OF THOSE, YES, MA'AM.

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24   **SUP. MOLINA:** OKAY, BUT FOR THE MOST PART, THOSE ARE JUST THE  
25   ONES THAT AFTER THEY HAVE SERVED THEIR TIME IN OUR COUNTY



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1 SYSTEM. THAT'S WHO YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT, THOSE ARE THE PEOPLE  
2 YOU WOULD NOW SAY YOU'RE NOT GOING-TO-PROVIDE ANY SERVICE FOR.  
3 CORRECT?

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5 **CHUCK JACKSON:** LACKING ANY S.C.A.P. FUNDING, YES, MA'AM, I  
6 BELIEVE THE SHERIFF IS WILLING TO SAY THAT LACKING ANY  
7 S.C.A.P. FUNDING, NO FEDERAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR HOUSING  
8 THESE INMATES, THEY WOULD BE RELEASED.

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10 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND I DON'T SEE A PROBLEM WITH THAT, AND THAT'S  
11 THE LANGUAGE THAT THE SHERIFF WANTS TO PUT IN?

12

13 **CHUCK JACKSON:** YES, MA'AM.

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE CONTRACT ALREADY PROVIDES THE SHERIFF CAN  
16 CANCEL THE M.O.U. AT ANY TIME, BUT WE'VE ASKED THAT IT COME  
17 BACK PRIOR TO JANUARY IF THEY CAN RESOLVE THAT --

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19 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT THE S.C.A.P. FUNDING IS NOT JUST BASED ON THE  
20 TIME THAT THEY ARE RELEASED. I THOUGHT THE S.C.A.P. FUNDING  
21 WAS AVAILABLE FOR ANY TIME OF DETENTION AS WELL. CORRECT?

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23 **CHUCK JACKSON:** THAT'S CORRECT, YES, MA'AM.

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1   **SUP. MOLINA:** SO THE M.O.U., I MEAN, I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT  
2   YOU WOULD BE ENDING, BECAUSE THE REALITY IS IS THAT THAT'S A  
3   POLICY THAT RIGHT NOW THE SHERIFF CAN TURN ALL THOSE FOLKS OUT  
4   RIGHT NOW. CORRECT? HE IS NOT LEGALLY BOUND RIGHT NOW UNDER  
5   THIS CONTRACT OR UNDER THIS M.O.U. TO HOUSE THOSE INDIVIDUALS  
6   ON BEHALF FOR THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

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8   **CHUCK JACKSON:** THIS M.O.U. IS NOT DESIGNED TO PROVIDE LEGAL  
9   AUTHORITY TO HOLD THE ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS THAT ARE CONVICTED OF  
10  CRIMES. THIS M.O.U. IS DESIGNED TO PROVIDE TRAINING AND  
11  AUTHORITY TO LOCAL SECURITY PERSONNEL TO CONDUCT THESE TYPES  
12  OF INTERVIEWS, TO PLACE DETAINERS WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE  
13  IMMIGRATION CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT. THE MESSAGE THE SHERIFF IS  
14  TRYING TO SEND WITH THIS ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE IS TO THE FEDERAL  
15  GOVERNMENT IS LACKING SUFFICIENT S.C.A.P. FUNDING IN THE  
16  FUTURE, THAT WE DO NOT WANT TO BE A PARTICIPANT IN THIS AND WE  
17  ARE NOT GOING TO HOLD THOSE ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS CONVICTED OF  
18  CRIMES IN OUR CUSTODY ON AN I.N.S. OR AN I.C.E. DETAINER.  
19  WE'LL RELEASE THEM AT THE CONCLUSION OF THEIR LOCAL CHARGE  
20  TIME.

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22   **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT, LET ME JUST -- AGAIN, I'M JUST ASKING  
23  YOU ONE SIMPLE CLARIFICATION. RIGHT NOW, UNDER THE M.O.U., WE  
24  ARE NOT FORCED TO HOLD A ILLEGAL ALIEN, UNDOCUMENTED  
25  INDIVIDUAL, AFTER THEY HAVE SERVED TIME IN THE COUNTY JAILS.



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2 **CHUCK JACKSON:** IF THEY HAVE A FEDERAL DETAINER, I DON'T KNOW,  
3 I CAN'T SPEAK TO THE LEGALITY OF IT, BECAUSE WE ARE RECEIVING  
4 S.C.A.P. FUNDING. IF THEY DO NOT HAVE A DETAINER PLACED, THEN  
5 OF COURSE WE DON'T HOLD THEM.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU DON'T HOLD THEM NOW?

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9 **CHUCK JACKSON:** DO NOT.

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11 **SUP. MOLINA:** OKAY. BUT IN THE TRAINING THAT YOU'RE TALKING  
12 ABOUT, WHAT YOU WOULD BE DOING NOW IS THEY WOULD BE REQUESTING  
13 THAT OUR PERSONNEL DO THE INTERVIEWING TO HOLD TO KEEP THAT  
14 RETAINER IN PLACE.

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16 **CHUCK JACKSON:** OUR PERSONNEL WOULD BE DOING THE INTERVIEWING  
17 TO DETERMINE THE INFORMATION THAT WOULD LEAD TO A FEDERAL  
18 DETAINER BEING PLACED AGAINST THE INDIVIDUAL, YES, MA'AM.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND RIGHT NOW, UNDER THE S.C.A.P. FUNDING, ARE  
21 YOU BEING FUNDED FOR EVERY SINGLE DETAINEE THAT YOU HAVE IN  
22 YOUR COUNTY JAILS?

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24 **CHUCK JACKSON:** NO, MA'AM.

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1    **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU'RE NOT?

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3    **CHUCK JACKSON:** NO.

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5    **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL WHAT MAKES YOU THINK THAT YOU WILL UNDER  
6    THIS NEW AGREEMENT?

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8    **CHUCK JACKSON:** I DON'T KNOW THAT WE'LL EVER GET 100% FUNDING.  
9    WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO ACCOMPLISH IS TO NOT TO HAVE A REDUCTION  
10   OF FUNDING.

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12   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK THAT'S WHAT THE SHERIFF WANTED THE  
13   TWO MONTHS FOR.

14

15   **SUP. MOLINA:** NO I UNDERSTAND WHAT HE WANTS IT, THAT'S -- THERE  
16   SEEMS TO BE SOME LACK OF CLARIFICATION HERE, SO I JUST WANTED  
17   TO MAKE SURE THAT WE UNDERSTOOD IT.

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19   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** IT'S TOTALLY UNRELATED. I MEAN IF IT'S A  
20   LANGUAGE ISSUE, THE SHERIFF CAN DO THAT AND THE COUNTY COUNSEL  
21   CAN DO THAT IN A WEEK. YEAH, AND IT'S NOT A LANGUAGE ISSUE.

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23   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO, I MEAN I DON'T WANT TO SPEAK FOR THE  
24   SHERIFF BECAUSE I CAN'T, BUT I HAD A BRIEF CONVERSATION WITH  
25   HIM ABOUT THIS GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER A FEW WEEKS AGO, AND I



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1 THINK HIS OBJECTIVE IS TO TRY TO HAVE DISCUSSIONS WITH PEOPLE  
2 IN WASHINGTON ABOUT THE MORE GLOBAL ISSUE OF THE S.C.A.P.  
3 FUNDING AND THAT SORT OF THING. I DON'T KNOW HOW THAT RELATES  
4 TO THIS, BUT I THINK IT RELATES TO HIS DESIRE TO HAVE SOME  
5 TIME BEFORE WE MOVE FORWARD. I SOUND LIKE I'M STUMBLING  
6 BECAUSE I DON'T REMEMBER THE DETAILS OF THAT CONVERSATION, BUT  
7 I DON'T THINK IT'S UNREASONABLE FOR HIM TO TRY TO USE WHATEVER  
8 LEVERAGE HE HAS, AND I THINK PART OF THE PROBLEM IS THAT THE  
9 LAST HALF OF THE NEXT MONTH WE'RE NOT HERE, SO I, LOOK, I  
10 THINK WE OUGHT TO EXCEED TO THE SHERIFF'S REQUEST AND CONTINUE  
11 IT 'TIL JANUARY, IF IT CAN BE BROUGHT BACK SOONER, HE OUGHT TO  
12 BE BRING IT BACK SOONER, AND THAT'S WHAT MR. ANTONOVICH --

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YES.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S WHAT HE SAID AND I -- BUT LEAVE IT TO  
17 THE DISCRETION OF THE SHERIFF.

18

19 **SUP. BURKE:** RIGHT, AND PARTICULARLY WITH SOME OF THE NEW  
20 ISSUES WE'VE BEEN SEEING IN THE NEWS IN TERMS OF PERHAPS THERE  
21 MAY BE TERRORISM MONEY THAT MAY BE ALLOCATED FOR SOME OF THIS,  
22 SO I SAY LET HIM TRY TO WORK SOME OF THESE OUT AND TAKE THE  
23 TIME TO SEE WHAT MONEYS, DIFFERENT MONEYS THAT CAN BE  
24 IDENTIFIED TO INCREASE THE S.C.A.P. BUT COME BACK AS SOON AS



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1 POSSIBLE, BUT IT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE TO DO ANYTHING UNTIL  
2 JANUARY, WILL IT?

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4 **CHUCK JACKSON:** I THINK PART OF THE REQUEST WAS BASED ON THE  
5 HOLIDAY SEASON COMING UP AND THE BOARD AVAILABILITY.

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7 **SUP. BURKE:** YOU PROBABLY CAN'T --

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9 **CHUCK JACKSON:** BUT AGAIN I DON'T KNOW WHY THAT DATE WAS  
10 SELECTED.

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12 **SUP. BURKE:** I SUSPECT IT'S GOING TO BE VERY DIFFICULT TO DO  
13 ANYTHING IN THE NEXT 30 DAYS.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** AS IT RELATES TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE  
16 M.O.U., WHICH IS BEFORE US, I MEAN, ALTHOUGH WE'RE GOING TO  
17 CONTINUE IT, IS THERE FUNDING ATTACHED TO THAT?

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19 **CHUCK JACKSON:** THE ONLY FUNDING IS PROVIDING THE TRAINING TO  
20 OUR PERSONNEL AT NO COST. MOST OF THE M.O.U. REALLY DEALS WITH  
21 PROVIDING US THE AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT THE INVESTIGATIVE  
22 INTERVIEWS AND PREPARE THE NECESSARY PAPERWORK FOR THE FEDERAL  
23 DETAINERS.

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1    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SO THE ITEM WILL BE CONTINUED TO  
2    JANUARY 11TH, UNLESS THE SHERIFF CAN COME BACK SOONER WITH --  
3

4    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SECOND.  
5

6    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.  
7

8    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S ALL I HAVE, MR. CHAIRMAN.  
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10   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?  
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12   **SUP. MOLINA:** I DON'T THINK I HAVE ANY ITEMS. AND I'VE DONE MY  
13   ADJOURNMENT. THANK YOU.  
14

15   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. I BELIEVE THAT IS THE AGENDA. IS THAT  
16   CORRECT? PUBLIC COMMENTS? KAREN OCAMB.  
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18   **KAREN OCAMB:** I'M JUST WAITING FOR THE LITTLE THING TO GIVE ME  
19   THE "GO" SIGN THERE.  
20

21   **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** GO.  
22

23   **KAREN OCAMB:** OKAY. THANK YOU. HI. MY NAME IS KAREN OCAMB, AND  
24   I REPRESENT THE LOS ANGELES SUNSHINE COALITION. IN LIGHT OF  
25   THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S FINDING LAST WEEK THAT THE BOARD





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1 VIOLATED THE BROWN ACT BY MAKING DECISIONS IN SECRET, I'M HERE  
2 TO ONCE AGAIN REQUEST THAT YOU CODIFY YOUR INTERNAL SUNSHINE  
3 POLICIES INTO AN ORDINANCE. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS, THE  
4 D.A. WROTE THAT, QUOTE, "VIOLATION OF THE BROWN ACT IMPUGNS  
5 THE INTEGRITY OF AND ERODES PUBLIC CONFIDENCE IN GOVERNMENT.  
6 THE NATURE AND SCOPE OF THE BROWN ACT VIOLATIONS CITED HEREIN  
7 CANNOT BE MINIMIZED." END QUOTE. I SAY ACCORDING TO PRESS  
8 REPORTS, BECAUSE I COULD NOT FIND THE REPORT ANYWHERE ON THE  
9 BOARD OR D.A.'S WEB SITE. SO MUCH FOR ACCESS TO PUBLIC  
10 DOCUMENTS. I AGREE WITH THE D.A. THAT YOU DID NOT  
11 INTENTIONALLY SET OUT TO VIOLATE YOUR OWN AND THE STATE'S OPEN  
12 GOVERNMENT LAWS, BUT YOU CANNOT KEEP PLEADING IGNORANCE WHEN  
13 YOUR COUNTY COUNSEL IS INVOLVED. YOU CAN'T TELL THE REST OF US  
14 THAT IGNORANCE OF THE LAW IS NO EXCUSE EXCEPT US. SOMEONE MUST  
15 BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE. IT IS TIME TO PASS A SUNSHINE ORDINANCE  
16 TO ENSHRINE YOUR COMMITMENT TO TRANSPARENCY AND OPEN  
17 GOVERNMENT INTO LAW. SPECIFICS PERTAINING TO ENFORCEMENT,  
18 COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY CAN THEN BE DEBATED AND KNOWN TO  
19 ALL -- AND MADE KNOWN TO ALL. RIGHT NOW, THE NATION IS  
20 DISCUSSING WHAT CONSTITUTES A MANDATE FROM THE PEOPLE. I  
21 SUGGEST TO YOU THAT THE PEOPLE OF CALIFORNIA ISSUED THAT  
22 MANDATE LAST TUESDAY, VOTING OVERWHELMINGLY FOR PROP 59, THE  
23 ACCESS TO GOVERNMENT INFORMATION MEASURE, BY 83.2% STATE-WIDE  
24 AND 83% IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THAT'S A MANDATE. PLEASE  
25 ACKNOWLEDGE THE WILL OF THE PEOPLE AND OUR CONTINUED REQUESTS



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1 AND DO SOMETHING TO STOP THIS SLOPPY ADHERENCE TO THE LAW.  
2 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND AGAIN, OF COURSE, WE'D BE MORE THAN  
3 HAPPY TO WORK WITH YOU ON CONSTRUCTING THAT SUNSHINE  
4 ORDINANCE.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I HAVE -- ASK A QUESTION.

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8 **KAREN OCAMB:** YES, SIR.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ARE YOU GOING TO BE INVOLVED IN AN INITIATIVE  
11 TO HAVE THE BROWN ACT APPLIED TO THE CALIFORNIA STATE  
12 LEGISLATURE?

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14 **KAREN OCAMB:** WELL, IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THERE IS A LAW  
15 THAT APPLIES TO THE LEGISLATURE RIGHT NOW, THE KEELEY -- I'VE  
16 FORGOTTEN THE NAME OF THE LAW, I APOLOGIZE. THERE IS A LAW  
17 THAT PERTAINS TO OPEN GOVERNMENT SPECIFICALLY FOR THE STATE  
18 LEGISLATURE, BUT, YOU KNOW, I CONCUR WITH YOU. I THINK THAT  
19 THERE SHOULD BE AN ACROSS-THE-BOARD, YOU KNOW, OVER -- ONE  
20 STANDARD FOR ALL. I TOTALLY AGREE WITH YOU, I HAVE A --

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BECAUSE IN THAT STATE PROPOSITION, THE STATE  
23 LEGISLATURE JOINTLY REMOVED THEMSELVES FROM THAT LAW.

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1   **KAREN OCAMB:** YES, I UNDERSTAND THAT, AND I DON'T AGREE WITH  
2   THAT PART OF IT.

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4   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT, SO HAVING THE BROWN ACT EXCLUSIVELY  
5   APPLY TO THE STATE LEGISLATURE AS IT APPLIES TO EVERY CITY,  
6   COUNTY, MUNICIPALITY AND SPECIAL DISTRICT.

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8   **KAREN OCAMB:** WELL I AGREE THAT THAT IS SOMETHING THAT WE NEED  
9   TO MOVE FORWARD TO AS WELL, BUT OF COURSE, AND, SIR, I HAVE  
10   APPROACHED STATE LEGISLATURES AND ASKED THEM EXACTLY THE SAME  
11   THING, AND, YOU KNOW, I GET SOME RATHER INTERESTING COMMENTS  
12   BACK, BUT, YOU KNOW --

13

14   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT'S A BIG INITIATIVE, I MEAN, TO DO THAT.

15

16   **KAREN OCAMB:** RIGHT, BUT THIS IS WHERE WE CAN, SINCE WE'RE THE  
17   LOS ANGELES SUNSHINE COALITION, THIS IS WHERE WE THINK WE CAN  
18   TRY TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE, AND, YOU KNOW, I THINK THAT YOU ALL  
19   WENT THROUGH HELL, YOU KNOW, A COUPLE OF YEARS AGO WITH THE,  
20   YOU KNOW, WITH THAT VIOLATION OF THE BROWN ACT, AND YOU CAME  
21   UP WITH SOME REALLY GOOD SUNSHINE INTERNAL POLICIES, AND THE  
22   CODIFICATION OF THAT, YOU KNOW, ENSURES THAT EVERYBODY KNOWS  
23   ABOUT IT AND THAT THERE IS SOME ACCOUNTABILITY AND  
24   RESPONSIBILITY, AND THAT'S ESSENTIALLY ALL WE'RE ASKING FOR.

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU.

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3    **KAREN OCAMB:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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5    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

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7    **KAREN OCAMB:** ANYBODY ELSE? THANK YOU, ALL.

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9    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. THANKS.

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11    **KAREN OCAMB:** HAPPY THANKSGIVING.

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13    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YOU TOO KAREN.

14

15    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HAPPY THANKSGIVING.

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17    **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. THERE'LL BE NO OTHER PUBLIC COMMENTS,  
18 IF YOU'D READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION, PLEASE?

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20    **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT  
21 REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF  
22 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEMS  
23 CS-1, CS-2, AND CS-3, CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING  
24 EXISTING LITIGATION, ITEM CS-4, CONSIDERATION OF CANDIDATES  
25 FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE POSITION OF COUNTY COUNSEL, ITEM CS-5,



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1 INTERVIEW AND CONSIDER CANDIDATES FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE  
2 POSITION OF AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER, DIRECTOR OF WEIGHTS AND  
3 MEASURES, AND ITEM CS-6, CONSIDERATION OF CANDIDATES FOR  
4 APPOINTMENT TO THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF INTERNAL SERVICES  
5 AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE FINISHED ON TIME.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YES AND WE HAVE -- WE'RE GOING RIGHT IN. I  
12 ASK THAT ALL MEMBERS PLEASE GO THERE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.  
13 THANK YOU.

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**REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON NOVEMBER 9, 2004**

The Board of Supervisors met today in Closed Session. The following action is being reported:

**CS-3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION**

(Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9) Leroy D. Baca v. County of Los Angeles, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 299 486

This is a lawsuit by the Sheriff challenging term limits for the office of Sheriff enacted by Charter amendment (Measure A) approved by the voters at the March 5, 2002 General Election

**Action Taken:**

The Board of Supervisors decided not to file an appeal in the term limits litigation. The vote of the Board of Supervisors was unanimous with all Supervisors being present.

**CS-4. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT (Government Code Section 54957)**

Consideration of candidates for appointment to the position of County Counsel.





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1 Action Taken:

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3 Pursuant to County Code Section 2.06.010, the Board waived the  
4 provisions of former Sections 2.06.020 through 2.06.030 and  
5 appointed Raymond G. Fortner, Jr. to the position of County  
6 Counsel, effective November 17, 2004, and instructed the  
7 Director of Personnel to negotiate an annual salary.

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9 Ray has served in County Counsel in many capacities for almost  
10 35 years and as Chief Deputy for the past 8 years. Although  
11 beginning to contemplate future retirement plans, he has  
12 agreed to stay until early 2006 to facilitate the recruitment  
13 of a new successor County Counsel.

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15 The Board also instructed the Director of Personnel to execute  
16 an at-will employment contract which is approved as to form by  
17 the County Counsel subsequent to approval of an annual salary  
18 for Raymond G. Fortner, Jr. by the Board of Supervisors. The  
19 vote of the Board of Supervisors was unanimous with all  
20 Supervisors being present.

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22 CS-6. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT (Government Code Section 54957)

23 Consideration of candidates for appointment to the position of  
24 Director of Internal Services.

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1 Action Taken:

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3 Pursuant to County Code Section 2.06.010, the Board appointed  
4 Dave Lambertson to the position of Director of Internal  
5 Services, effective November 17, 2004, and instructed the  
6 Director of Personnel to negotiate an annual salary. The Board  
7 also instructed the Director of Personnel to execute an at-  
8 will employment contract which is approved as to form by  
9 County Counsel subsequent to approval of an annual salary for  
10 Dave Lambertson by the Board of Supervisors. The vote of the  
11 Board of Supervisors was unanimous with all Supervisors being  
12 present.

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